Wild Ones

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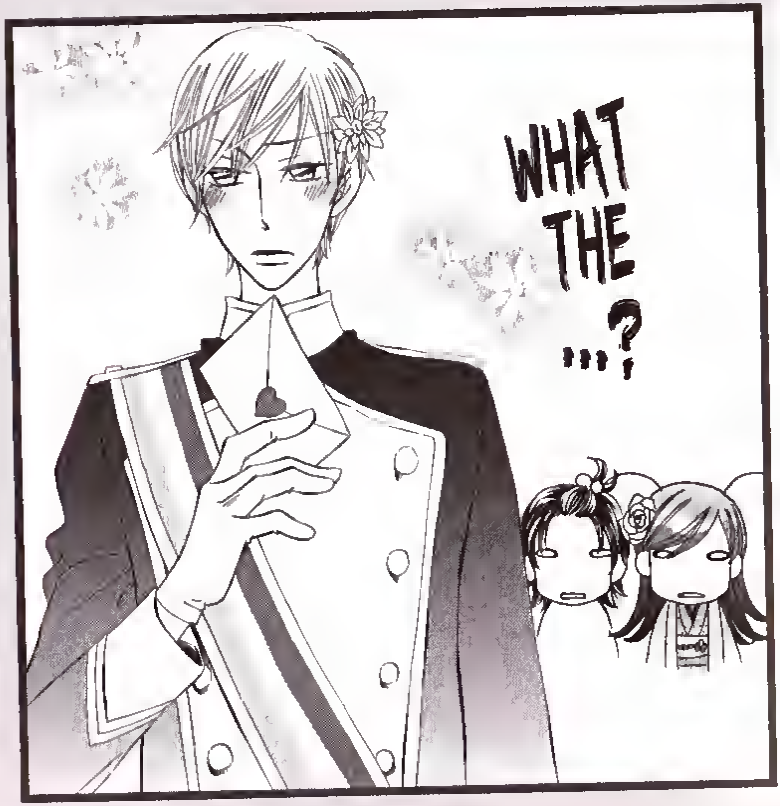

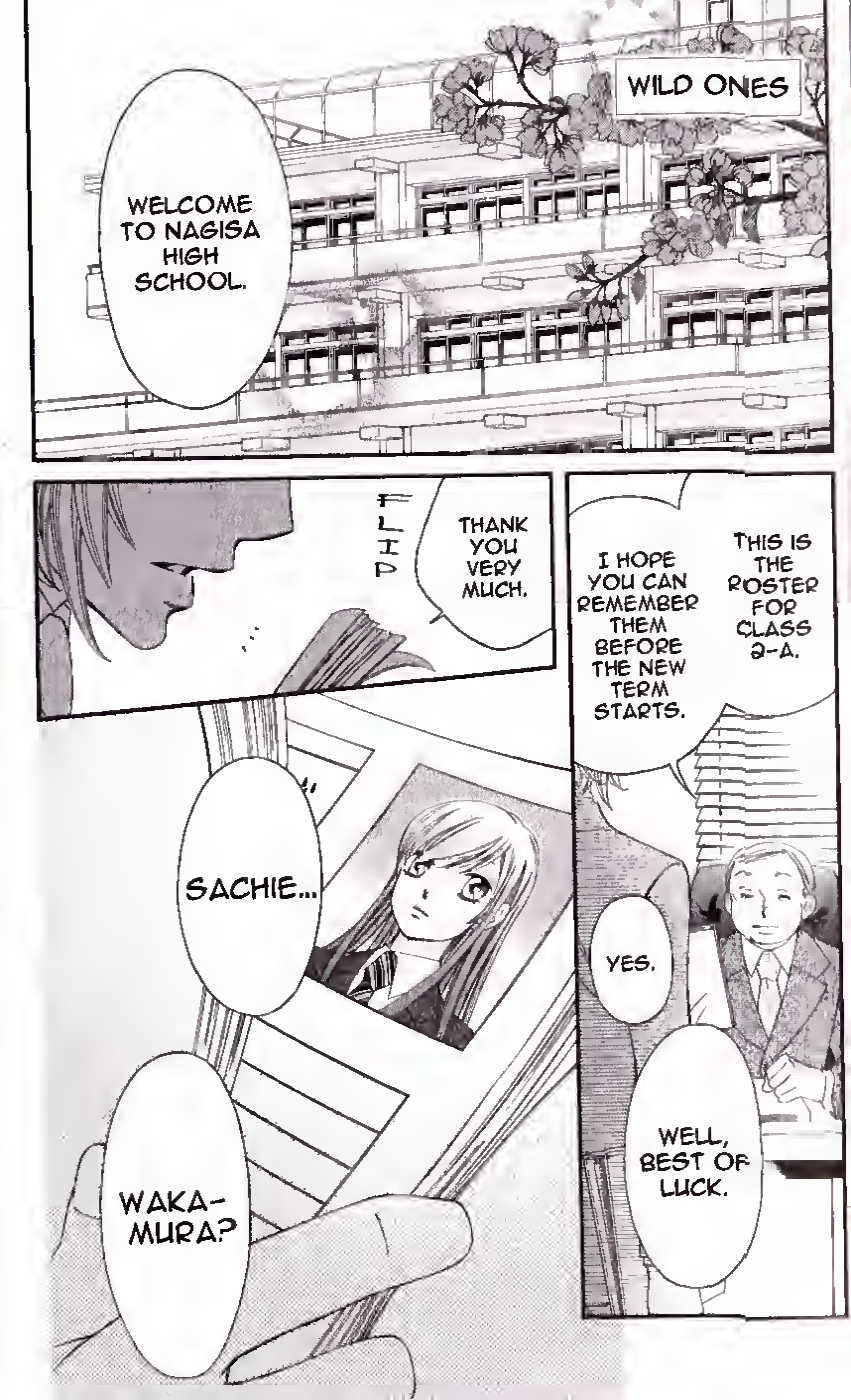
WILD ONES
WELCOME TO NAGISA HIGH SCHOOL.
THIS IS THE ROSTER FOR CLASS 2-A.
I HOPE YOU CAN REMEMBER THEM BEFORE THE NEW TERM STARTS.
YES.
WELL, BEST OF LUCK.
THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
FLIP
SACHIE...
WAKA-MURA?

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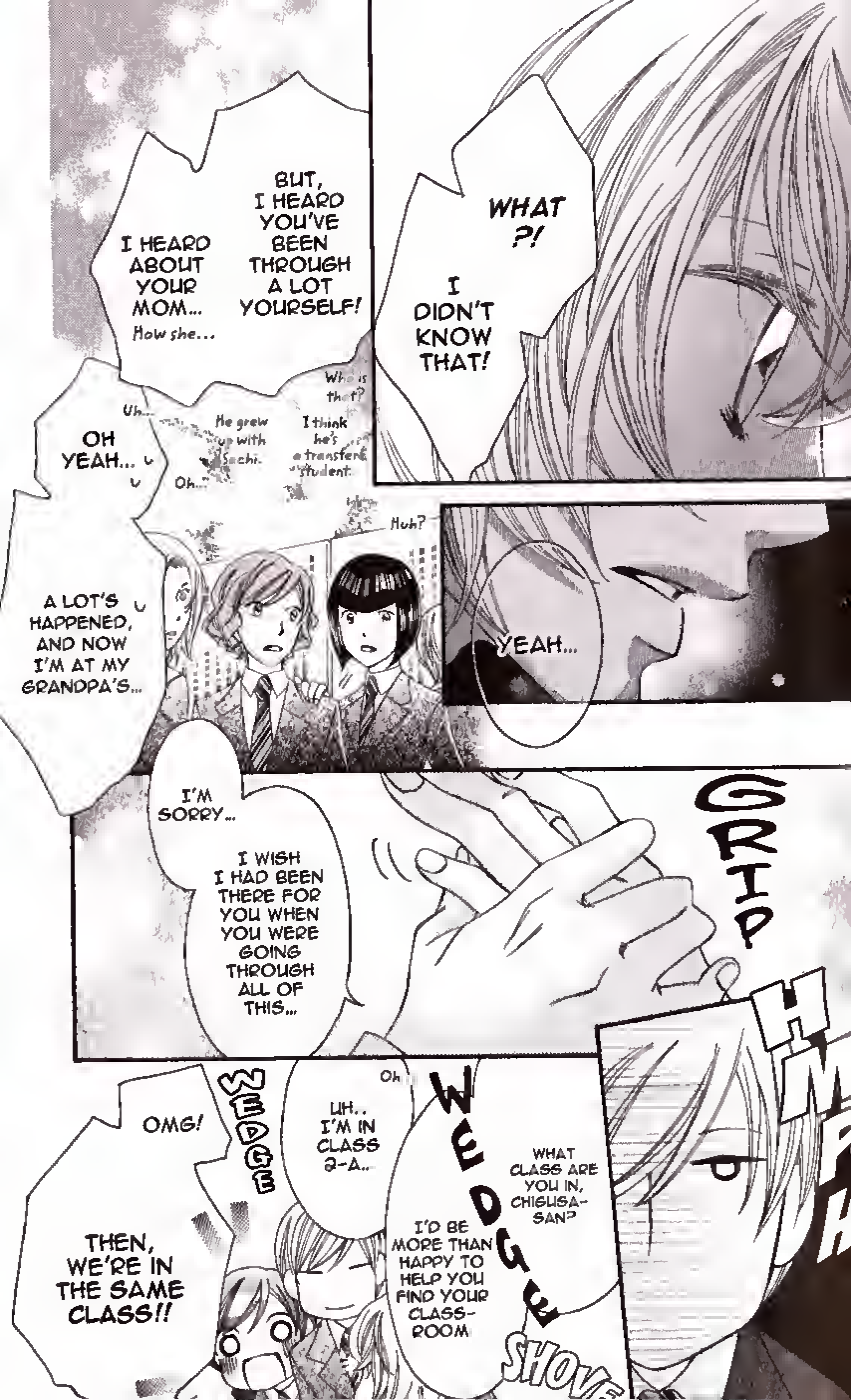
IT'S SPRING!
OKAY! SEE YOU LATER!!
KAMAN
MISS SACHIE!!
KAMAN
CONGRAT-ULATIONS ...
...ON ADVANC-ING TO THE NEXT YEAR.
WAAA

WHAT...
WAS THERE A CHANCE YOU WERE GONNA FLUNK?
You must be so happy then
Oh man...
BECAUSE, THIS IS THE IMPRESSION PEOPLE GET.
I'D PREFER YOU KNOCK IT OFF... talking like that...
B-but, it is an accomplishment...
SO WITH THAT...
Without any difficulties.
I AM NOW A SECOND YEAR!!
Morning!
Morn'n!
THIS MEANS THERE'S GOING TO BE A CLASS CHANGE, RIGHT?
ISN'T IT EXCITING?!
WE GET TO START THE YEAR OFF WITH A FRESH NEW GROUP!
YEAH, REALLY...
3-A
1. AIKAWA, FUMIYA
2. IGARASHI, RAKUTO
3. INUI, AZUMA
4. OGAWA, RYOSUKE
1. ISHIDA, HARUKO
2. UTAGAWA, JUN...
3. ETO, MISUZU
3-A
Huh?

YOU'RE IN CLASS A?
YES...
UMM...
SACHI!
WE'RIE IN THIE SAMIE CLASS AGAIN!!
REALLY?! YAY!!
OH, BUT THE TEACHER IS...
"SACHI"...?
IS THAT...
...REALLY SACHI?
WHO IS THIS?
IT'S ME! DON'T YOU REMEMBER?
IT'S KENNOSUKE CHIGUSA!!
UMM...
AND YOU ARE...?

CHI-SUSA...
REMEMBER, I USED TO BE YOUR NEIGHBOR.
WE USED TO EAT DINNER TOGETHER A LOT...
...
NO WAY!
CHI-CHAN!!
I KNEW IT WAS YOU, SACHI!
I WONDERED, WHEN I SAW YOUR NAME!!
SACHIE-SAMA...?
Blast from the past!
OH! RAKUTO!
THIS IS A CLOSE FRIEND FROM MY CHILDHOOD!!
BUT THEN YOU SUDDENLY STOPPED COMING!
I WAS SO WORRIED!
YEAH, SORRY...
IT WAS KIND OF COMPLICATED...
I HAD TO...
...SWITCH SCHOOLS AND STUFF...
MY DAD WAS A HUGE FAN OF SACHI'S MOM'S PLACE.
WE USED TO EAT THERE ALMOST EVERY DAY.
SMALL RESTAURANT
That's
CHILDHOOD...



WHAT ?!

I DIDN'T KNOW THAT!

BUT, I HEARD YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH A LOT YOURSELF!

I HEARD ABOUT YOUR MOM...

How she...

Who is that?

I think he's a transfer student.

He grew up with Sachi.

Uh...

Oh...

OH YEAH...

Huh?

A LOT'S HAPPENED, AND NOW I'M AT MY GRANDPA'S...

YEAH...

GRIP

I'M SORRY...

I WISH I HAD BEEN THERE FOR YOU WHEN YOU WERE GOING THROUGH ALL OF THIS...

WHAT CLASS ARE YOU IN, CHIGUSA-SAN?

I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO HELP YOU FIND YOUR CLASS-ROOM

WEDGE

SHOVE

Oh

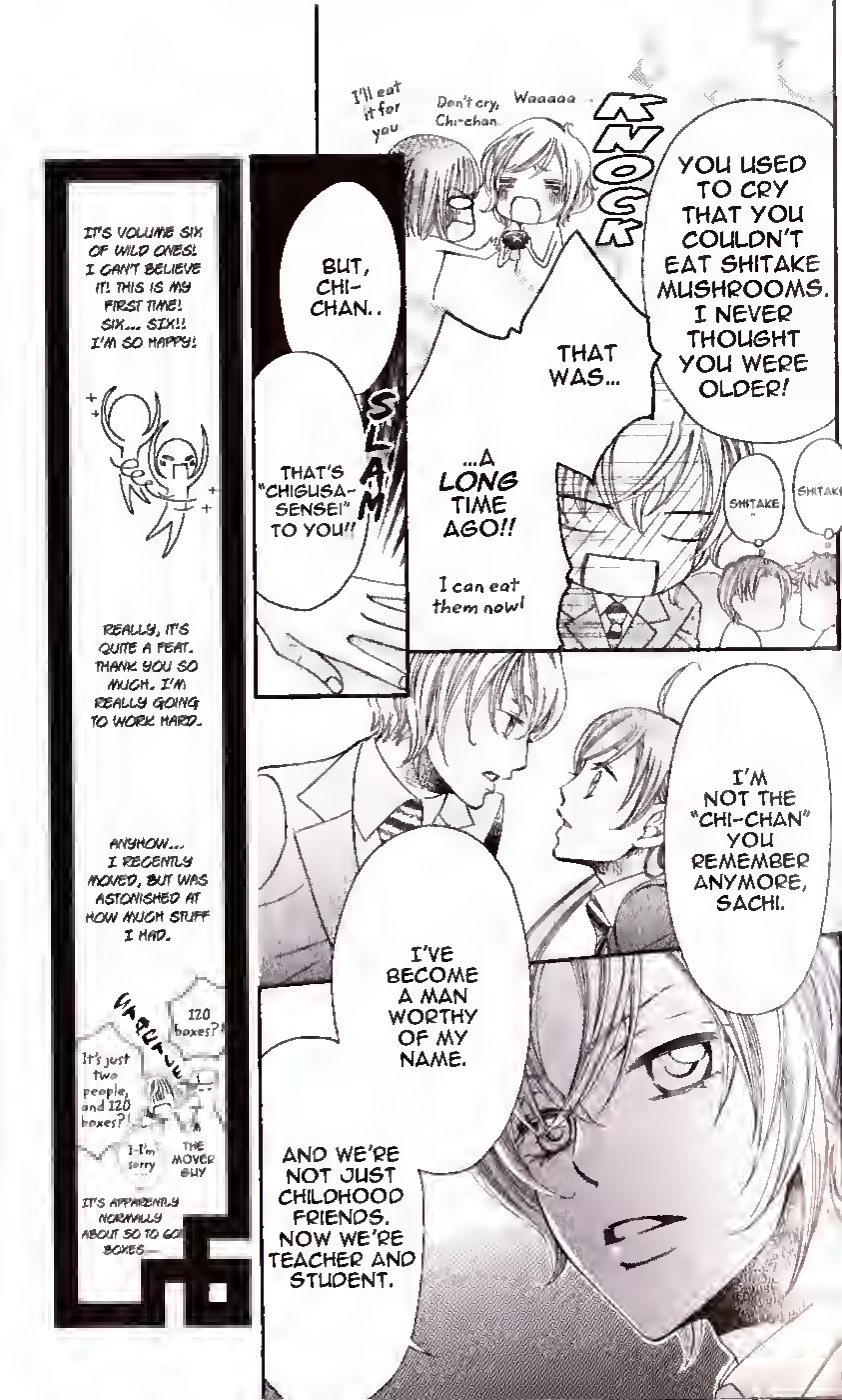
UH.. I'M IN CLASS 2-A..

WEDGE

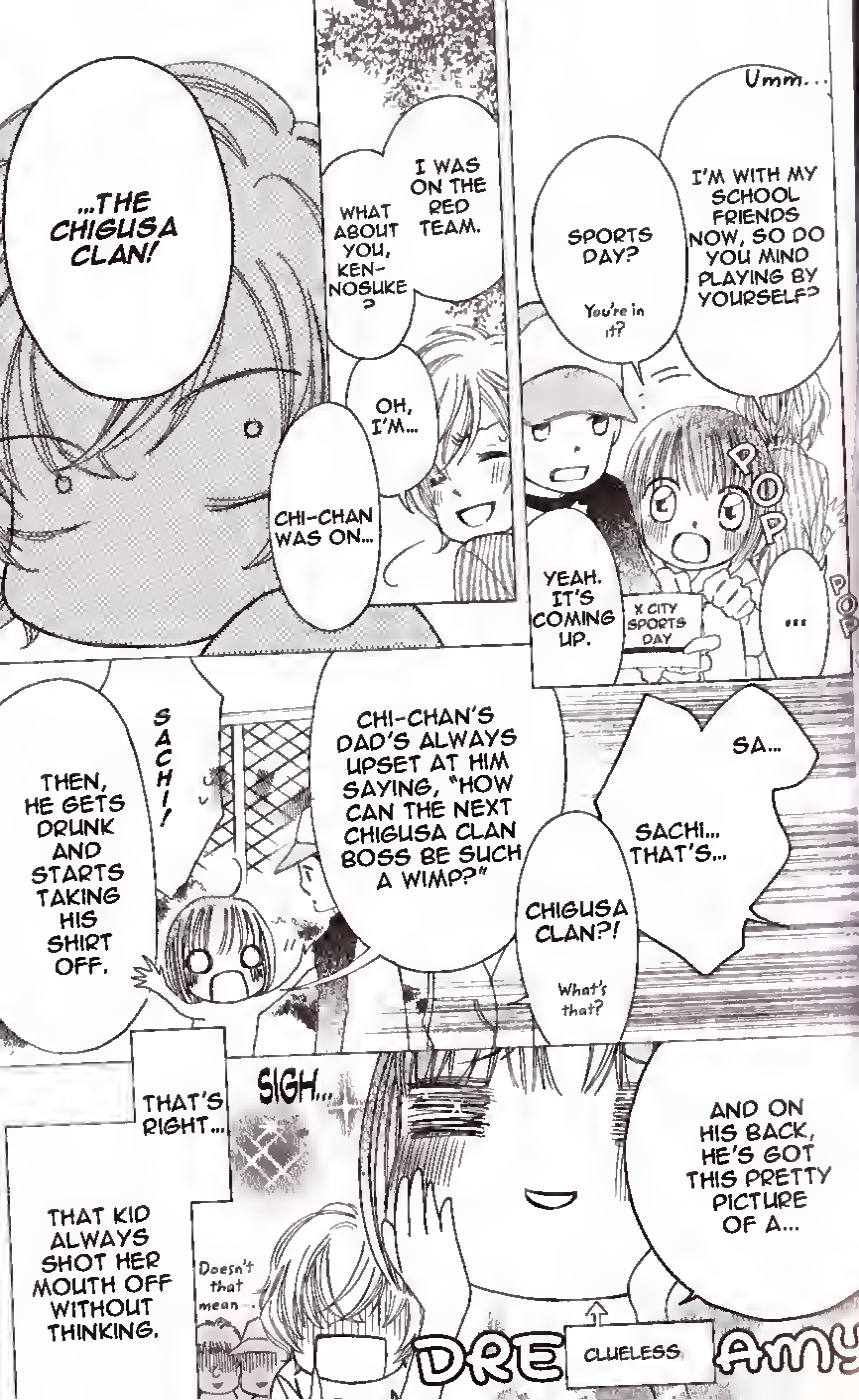
OMG!

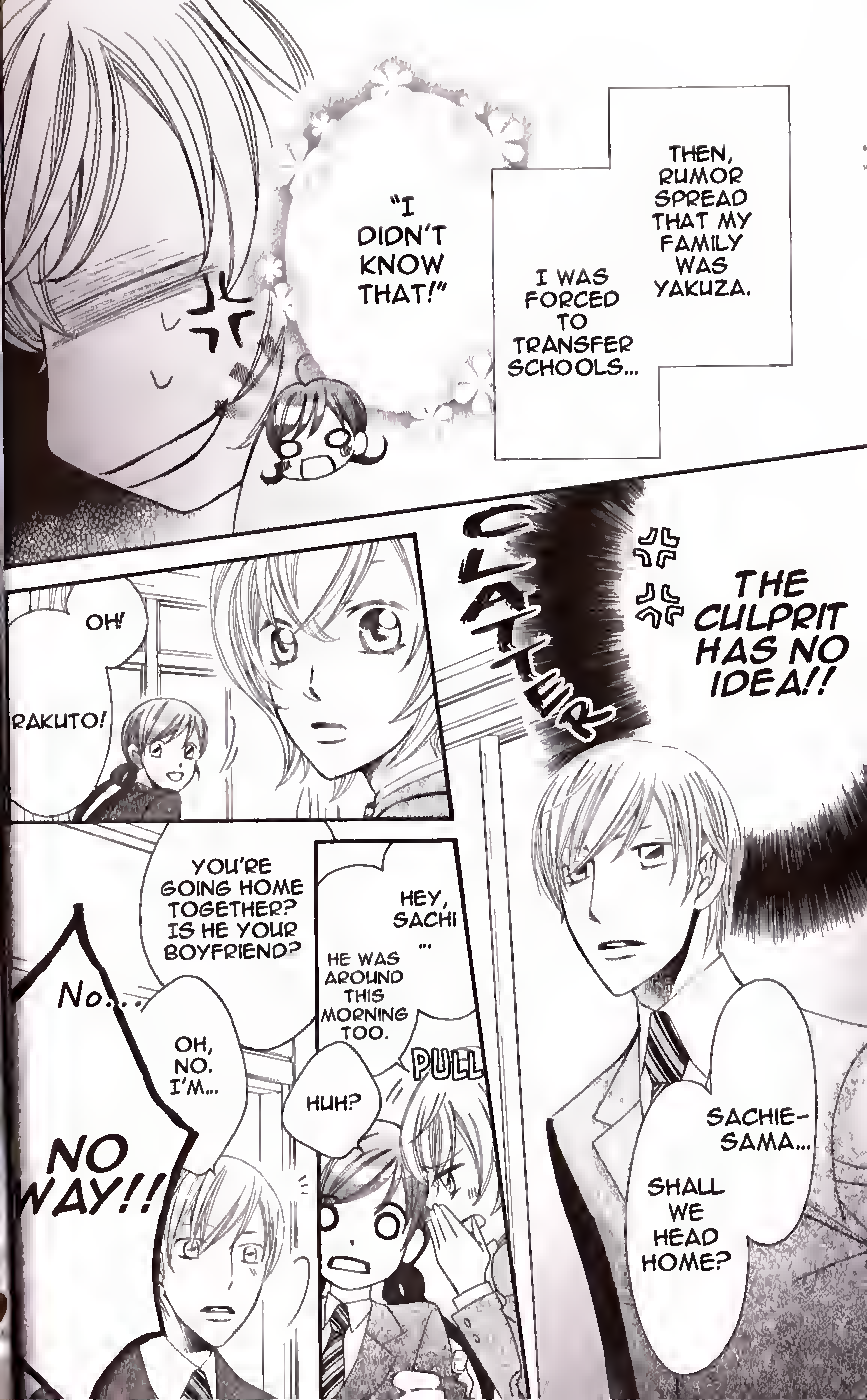
THEN, WE'RE IN THE SAME CLASS!!

KENNOSUKE CHIGUSA
I'M GOING TO BE YOUR HOMEROOM TEACHER THIS YEAR.
MY NAME IS KENNOSUKE CHIGUSA.
I TEACH ENGLISH, AND I'LL BE TEACHING THE READING COURSE.
RATTLE
23?!
I'M 23.
HE'S A TEACHER?!
HUH?
HE'S NOT ONE OF US?!
Are you serious?!
CHI-CHAN, HOW OLD ARE YOU?
RATTLE
-O-O MEAN, TO BE EIGHT YEARS OLDER THAN US?!
BUT...
E WAS WAYS SO ALL AND CUTE..
HEY, WAKA-MURA!! Is it true ?!
This kid?!

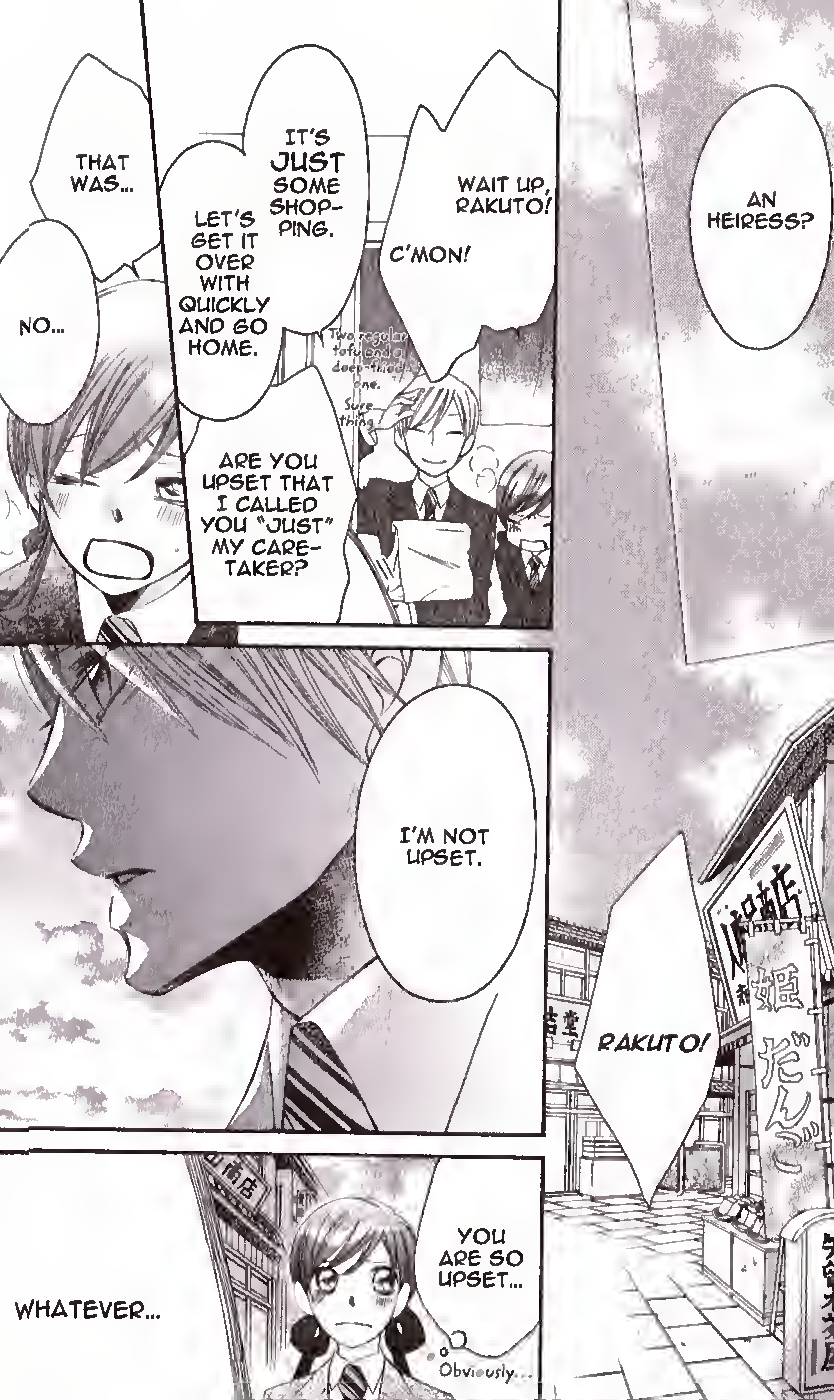

I'll eat it for you
Don't cry, Chi-chan
Waaaaa
KNOCK
YOU USED TO CRY THAT YOU COULDN'T EAT SHITAKE MUSHROOMS. I NEVER THOUGHT YOU WERE OLDER!
SHITAKE
SHITAKE
THAT WAS...
...A LONG TIME AGO!!
I can eat them now!
BUT, CHI-CHAN..
SLAM
THAT'S "CHIGUSA-SENSEI" TO YOU!!
I'M NOT THE "CHI-CHAN" YOU REMEMBER ANYMORE, SACHI.
I'VE BECOME A MAN WORTHY OF MY NAME.
AND WE'RE NOT JUST CHILDHOOD FRIENDS. NOW WE'RE TEACHER AND STUDENT.
IT'S VOLUME SIX OF WILD ONES! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! THIS IS MY FIRST TIME! SIX... SIX!! I'M SO HAPPY!
REALLY, IT'S QUITE A FEAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I'M REALLY GOING TO WORK HARD.
ANYHOW... I RECENTLY MOVED, BUT WAS ASTONISHED AT HOW MUCH STUFF I HAD.
120 boxes?!
It's just two people, and 120 boxes?!
I-I'm sorry
THE MOVER GUY
IT'S APPARENTLY NORMALLY ABOUT 50 TO 60 BOXES—

CHI-CHAN
CHI-CHAN
SO ACCORDINGLY, CALL ME "CHIGUSA-SENSEI" FROM NOW ON.
BUT, REALLY YOU DON'T LOOK 23, CHI-CHAN.
YOU REALLY SHOULDN'T BE SO PICKY, CHI-CHAN.
HEY! YOU KIDS HAVE TO..
THAT'S RIGHT. YOU WANNA GROW BIG, DON'T YOU, CHI-CHAN?
WHAT A SMALL WORLD THOUGH.
LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT YEAR, CHI-CHAN!
SNAP
SACHIE WAKAMURA ...
THAT'S RIGHT... SHE'S ALWAYS BEEN...
HEY, CHI-CHAN!
Let's play!
SACHI!
WHAT'S GOING ON, KENNOSUKE?
She a friend?
Oh, umm...
SHE'S A KID WHO WORKS AT A RESTAURANT THAT I GO TO A LOT...


...THE CHIGUSA CLAN!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, KEN-NOSUKE?
I WAS ON THE RED TEAM.
OH, I'M...
CHI-CHAN WAS ON...
SPORTS DAY?
You're in it?
Umm...
I'M WITH MY SCHOOL FRIENDS NOW, SO DO YOU MIND PLAYING BY YOURSELF?
YEAH. IT'S COMING UP.
X CITY SPORTS DAY
POP
POP
...
SACHI!
THEN, HE GETS DRUNK AND STARTS TAKING HIS SHIRT OFF.
CHI-CHAN'S DAD'S ALWAYS UPSET AT HIM SAYING, "HOW CAN THE NEXT CHIGUSA CLAN BOSS BE SUCH A WIMP?"
CHIGUSA CLAN?!
What's that?
SA...
SACHI... THAT'S...
SIGH...
THAT'S RIGHT...
THAT KID ALWAYS SHOT HER MOUTH OFF WITHOUT THINKING.
Doesn't that mean...
AND ON HIS BACK, HE'S GOT THIS PRETTY PICTURE OF A...
CLUELESS
DRE
Amy


"I DIDN'T KNOW THAT!"
I WAS FORCED TO TRANSFER SCHOOLS...
THEN, RUMOR SPREAD THAT MY FAMILY WAS YAKUZA.
CLATTER
THE CULPRIT HAS NO IDEA!!
SACHIE-SAMA... SHALL WE HEAD HOME?
OH! RAKUTO!
HEY, SACHI ... HE WAS AROUND THIS MORNING TOO.
PULL
HUH?
YOU'RE GOING HOME TOGETHER? IS HE YOUR BOYFRIEND?
OH, NO. I'M...
No...
NO WAY!!

HE'S JUST THE CARETAKER.
...
RAKUTO MAY NOT LOOK IT, BUT...
HE'S REALLY SMART AND HE'S THE STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT AND...
...HE'S ALSO A GREAT ATHLETE AND THE CAPTAIN OF THE KENDO TEAM, PLUS...
THANK YOU FOR THE INTRO-DUCTION.
FWOO
I'M THE REALLY SMART, GREAT ATHLETE...
JUST RAKUTO IGARASHI...
HOW COULD HE BE MY BOY-FRIEND?
Seriously...
CARE-TAKER?
SACHI'S AN HEIRESS.
SHE'S GOT A HUGE HOUSE.
SHE'S GOT A LOT OF HELPERS AROUND...
Yeah, yeah. It's like enormous
WITH A REALLY AWFUL PERSON-ALITY.


AN HEIRESS?
RAKUTO!
I'M NOT UPSET.
YOU ARE SO UPSET...
Obviously...
WHATEVER...
ARE YOU UPSET THAT I CALLED YOU "JUST" MY CARE-TAKER?
IT'S JUST SOME SHOP-PING.
LET'S GET IT OVER WITH QUICKLY AND GO HOME.
THAT WAS...
NO...
WAIT UP, RAKUTO!
C'MON!
Two regular tofu and a deep-fried one.
Sure thing.

"I'M JUST DOING MY JOB..."
YOU WERE THE ONE...
...WHO SAID THAT.
STEP
"A LOT'S HAPPENED, AND NOW I'M AT MY GRANDPA'S ..."
I SEE...
SO YOU'RE...
WE'RE HOME!
KANTO ASAGI CLAN
THAT'S ...
...THE KANTO ASAGI CLAN'S ...
SNAP
...IN THE BUSINESS AS WELL.

Good morning.
OKAY, RAKUTO!
Morning.
SO, I'LL SEE YOU AFTER SCHOOL!
Morning!
Yo!
OH, BY THE WAY, SACHIE-SAMA.
I LOOKED AT THE HOROSCOPE FOR TODAY AND PISCES WAS TERRIBLE. ☆
Pisces
RAKUTO WAS STILL MILDLY PER-TURBED.
YOU ALWAYS TELL ME TO INFORM YOU.
SHAKE SHAKE
HE DOESN'T HAVE TO TELL YOU WHEN IT'S BAD.
HE'S KIND OF MEAN, ISN'T HE?
CHI-CHAN!
WELL...
HE IS KIND OF A DUTIFUL PERSON... I think...

WOMEN OF THE MOB
SL
AM
SACHI?
YOU DON'T LOOK WELL.
WHAT IS IT?
O-OH...
IT'S NOTHING.
BUT...
MY FIRST PERIOD'S P.E.!!
WHAT'S GOING ON?! WHAT IS THIS?!
I'VE GOTTA GET CHANGED!
SEE YOU LATER!
HEY...
SACHI...
RUN
HOW DID THIS FIND ITS WAY INTO MY LOCKER?!

BOOM
GYAAH!!
THIS ISN'T...
IT CAN'T BE...
CODE OF SILENCE
THE CHIGUSA OF SHINJU
Onihei's Gang vol. 3
Onihei's Gang vol. 2
Onihei's Gang vol. 1
STREET MOBSTER
FLATTER
AHHH
ISN'T THIS...
KATANA
NOOO
I FEEL LIKE...
893
Sachie Wakamura
893 • YA-KU-ZA
FUMBLE
FUMBLE
WOW, YOU'RE INTO SOME OLD SCHOOL BOOKS, SACHI.
I like Onihei too.
Ye
Yeah I'm just kinda into it right now...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
BUT WHO?
SOMEBODY DEFINITELY KNOWS!!
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
SACHI...

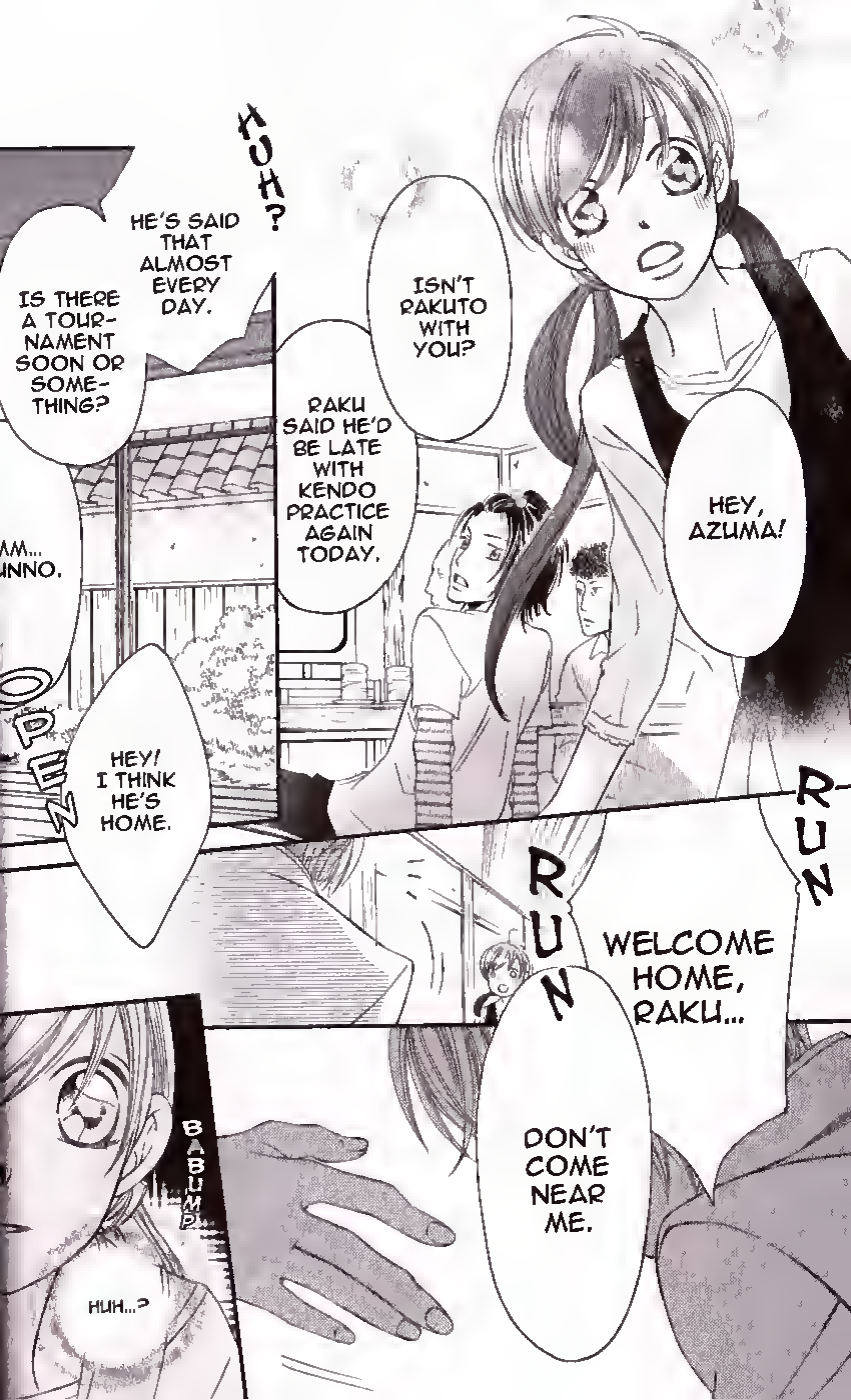
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY? YOU HAVEN'T LOOKED WELL ALL DAY.
Is something wrong?
WELL...
IT SEEMS THAT SOMEONE IS HARASSING ME...
HARASSMENT?
THAT'S TERRIBLE!
YOU CAN'T JUST SUFFER QUIETLY ALL ALONE!!
I'LL HELP YOU!! WHO'S THE CULPRIT?!
Oh
U-UMM...
BULLYING MAY BE A LITTLE EXAGGERATION...
I DON'T KNOW...
OH...
IS IT THAT KID?
YOU KNOW, THE ONE WHO WAS SAYING UNPLEASANT THINGS THIS MORNING.
Oh
YOU MEAN, RAKUTO?
OH, IT'S DEFINITELY NOT HIM.

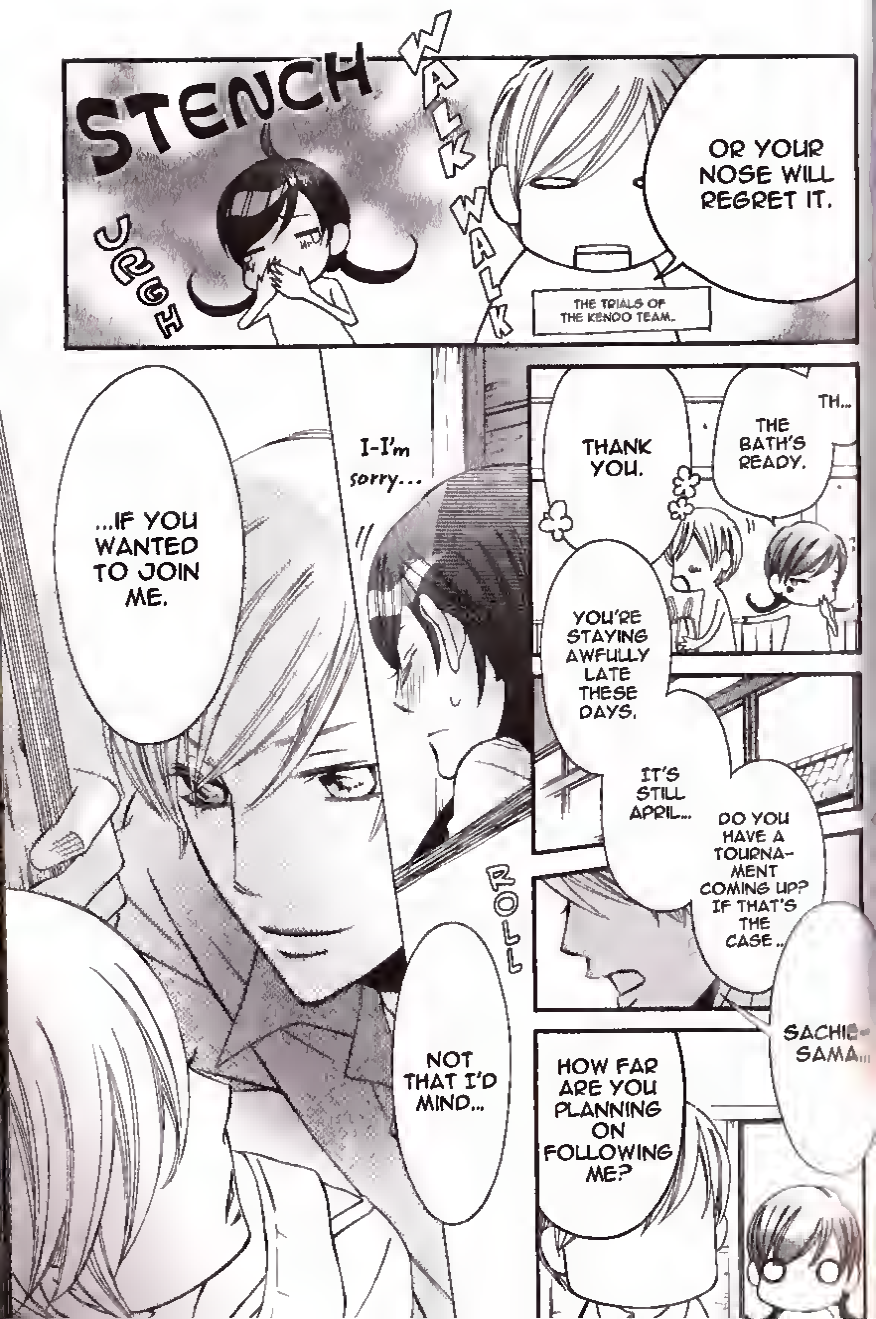
HE WOULD NEVER DO ANYTHING LIKE THAT.
WHY'S THAT?
RAKUTO CAN BE MEAN, BUT...
HMPH.
SHE'S GOT NERVES OF STEEL.
He wouldn't do anything like this that wouldn't benefit him
IF HE WANTED TO, HE WOULD CRUSH ME IN ONE FATAL BLOW
He'd be way more creative
OKAY
I GUESS THIS ISN'T ENOUGH TO SHAKE HER.
NO WORRIES.
AS LONG AS I HAVE THIS...
WELL, LET ME KNOW IF I CAN BE ANY HELP.
DEFI-NITELY!
THANKS, CHI-CHAN.
TMP

A SACHIE WAKAMURA
THE GRANDDAUGHTER
OF YAKUZA!!
SLIP
WHY WOULD YOU DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
AREN'T YOU A CHILDHOOD FRIEND OF SACHIE-SAMA'S?
G..
GIVE IT BACK!!
THAT'S RIGHT!
THAT CHILDHOOD FRIEND SCREWED ME OVER NOT JUST ONCE, BUT TWICE!!
SO I FIGURED...
I'D GET HER EXPELLED THE SAME WAY...
RIP
3-A SACHIE WAKAMURA IS THE GRANDDAUGHTER OF YAKUZA!!

RIP
RIP
RIP
I SEE. IF THAT'S THE CASE...
I'LL DO EVERY-THING I CAN TO STOP YOU.
RAKUTO
THAT'S YOUR NAME, RIGHT?
SHE SAID YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN OF THE KENDO TEAM.

WHAT DO YOU SAY WE SETTLE IT BETWEEN US?
ALL RIGHT.
IF THAT'S HOW YOU FEEL...
IF YOU WIN...
KNOCK
I PROMISE TO STOP THE HARASSMENT.
RAKUTO


HUH?
HE'S SAID THAT ALMOST EVERY DAY.
IS THERE A TOURNAMENT SOON OR SOMETHING?
AM... UNNO.
OPEN
HEY! I THINK HE'S HOME.
ISN'T RAKUTO WITH YOU?
RAKU SAID HE'D BE LATE WITH KENDO PRACTICE AGAIN TODAY.
HEY, AZUMA!
RUN
RUN
RUN
WELCOME HOME, RAKU...
DON'T COME NEAR ME.
BABUMP
HUH...?

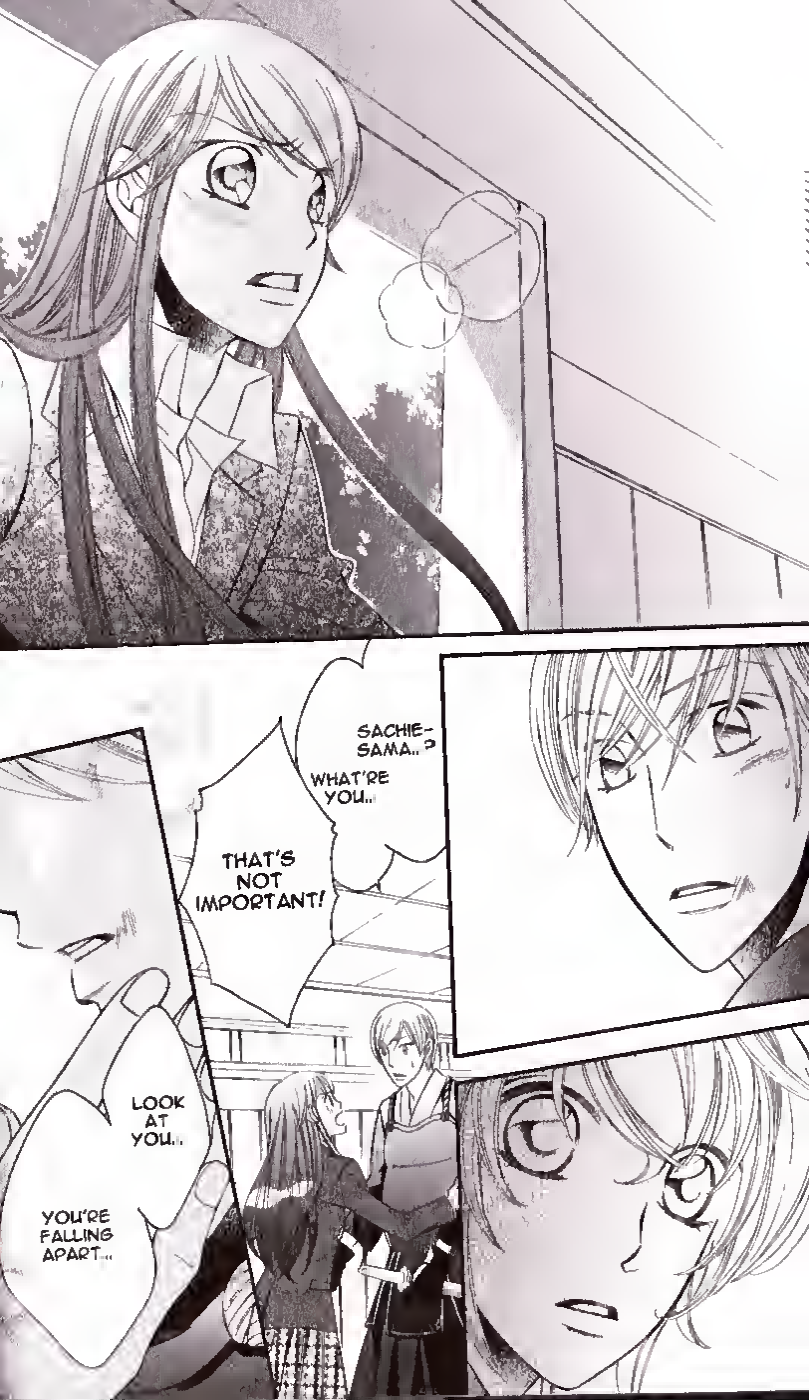

STENCH
WALK WALK
OR YOUR NOSE WILL REGRET IT.
THE TRIALS OF THE KENDO TEAM.
UGH
TH...
THE BATH'S READY.
THANK YOU.
YOU'RE STAYING AWFULLY LATE THESE DAYS.
IT'S STILL APRIL...
DO YOU HAVE A TOURNA-MENT COMING UP? IF THAT'S THE CASE..
SACHI-SAMA...
HOW FAR ARE YOU PLANNING ON FOLLOWING ME?
I-I'm sorry...
...IF YOU WANTED TO JOIN ME.
NOT THAT I'D MIND...
ROLL

WH-WH--WHO WOULD
OKAY, THEN. PROMISE NOT TO PEEK!
AS IF!!
URGHH...
WHAT DOES THINK AM?
IS THIS...
Hey!
MISS SACHIE!
WHAT'S ON THE VIDEO THAT SAYS "MOVIE"?
BLOOD ?
OH, I RECORDED SOMETHING ON TV THE OTHER DAY...
COME TO THINK OF IT..
...
D...
DARN IT...

SLIP
HUFF
...
URGH...
THE HARASS-MENT...
...STOPPED RIGHT AFTER THAT.
SLIP
HE DIDN'T LOOK LIKE HE'D BE ANY GOOD...
OKAY, THEN.
LET'S CALL IT A DAY.
KENDO TEAM
THANK YOU, TEACHER!!
WHAT ABOUT RAKUTO?
HE'S APPARENTLY STAYING LATE WITH CHI-CHAN AGAIN.
Jeez...
DON'T THEY EVER TAKE A BREAK?

SLAM
WHAT?
IS THAT ALL YOU'VE GOT?
HOW PATHETIC.
HOW COULD YOU SAY...
..."I'LL STOP YOU," WHEN THAT'S ALL YOU GOT?
HUFF
HUFF
HYA
NOT DONE YET?
SNAP
WHY DON'T YOU GIVE UP?
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO WIN.
NO!

AS LONG AS YOUR INTEN-TIONS ARE TO HURT HER...
I CAN'T QUIT UNTIL YOU SAY OTHER-WISE.
HMPH
YOU THINK...
...YOU CAN PROTECT HER?
SLAM
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?!


SACHIE-SAMA..?
WHAT'RE YOU..
THAT'S NOT IMPORTANT!
LOOK AT YOU..
YOU'RE FALLING APART...

WHY...?
APPARENTLY, HE WANTS TO PROTECT YOU.
SACHI.
THAT ...
NO...
ALL THAT HARASS-MENT...?
ME...?!
HEY...I'M LETTING YOU OFF EASY, COMPARED TO WHAT YOU DID TO ME.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE ACCUSING ME OF, BUT...
WHAT DOES DEFEATING RAKUTO HAVE TO DO WITH IT?
IF RAKUTO WINS, I WON'T DISTRIBUTE THESE, BUT...
IF HE LOSES...
I...
SACHIE-SAMA...!
LOOKS LIKE AN ADULT IS GONNA HAVE TO BREAK UP THIS CHILDREN'S FIGHT.
I'LL TAKE OVER FROM HERE.

NIGHTWALKER SCANS!

I AM CRUEL SO I THOUGHT I WOULD GIVE YOU A SNEAK PEEK AT WHAT IS IN VOLUME 6!

LOOK FORWARD TO IT, IT IS THE BEST VOLUME THAT IS OUT NOW BY FAR!!!

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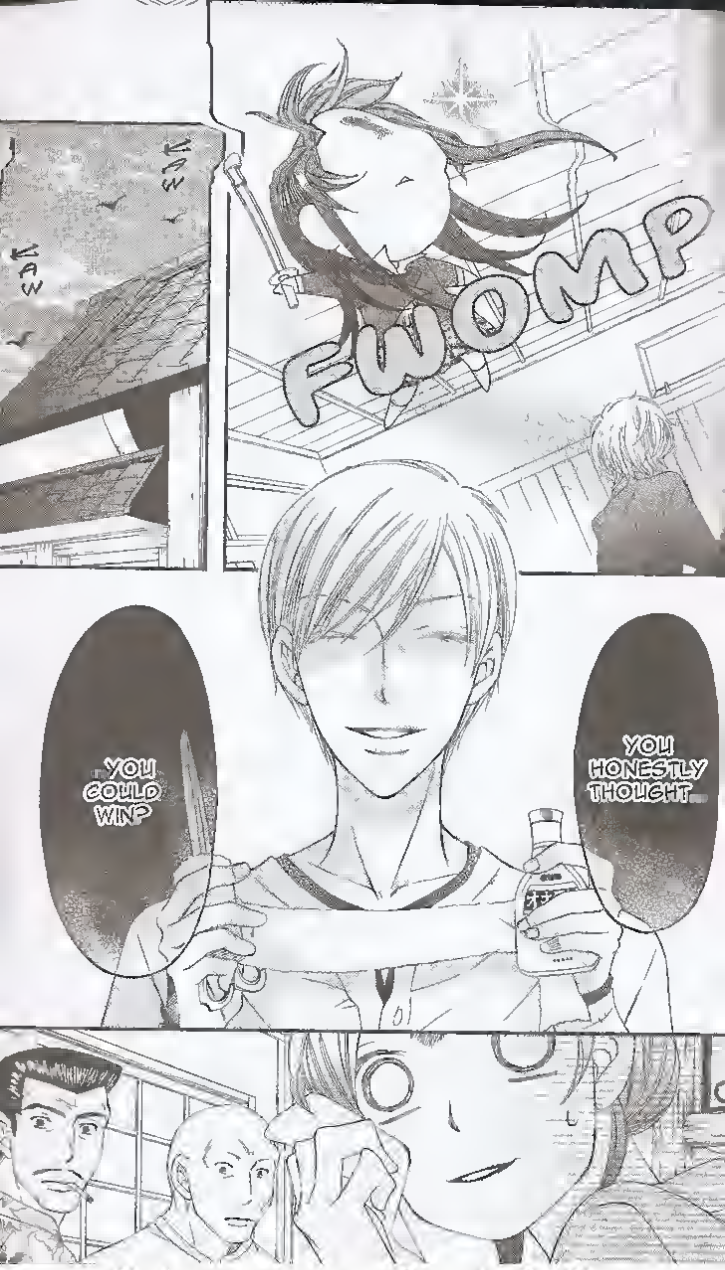

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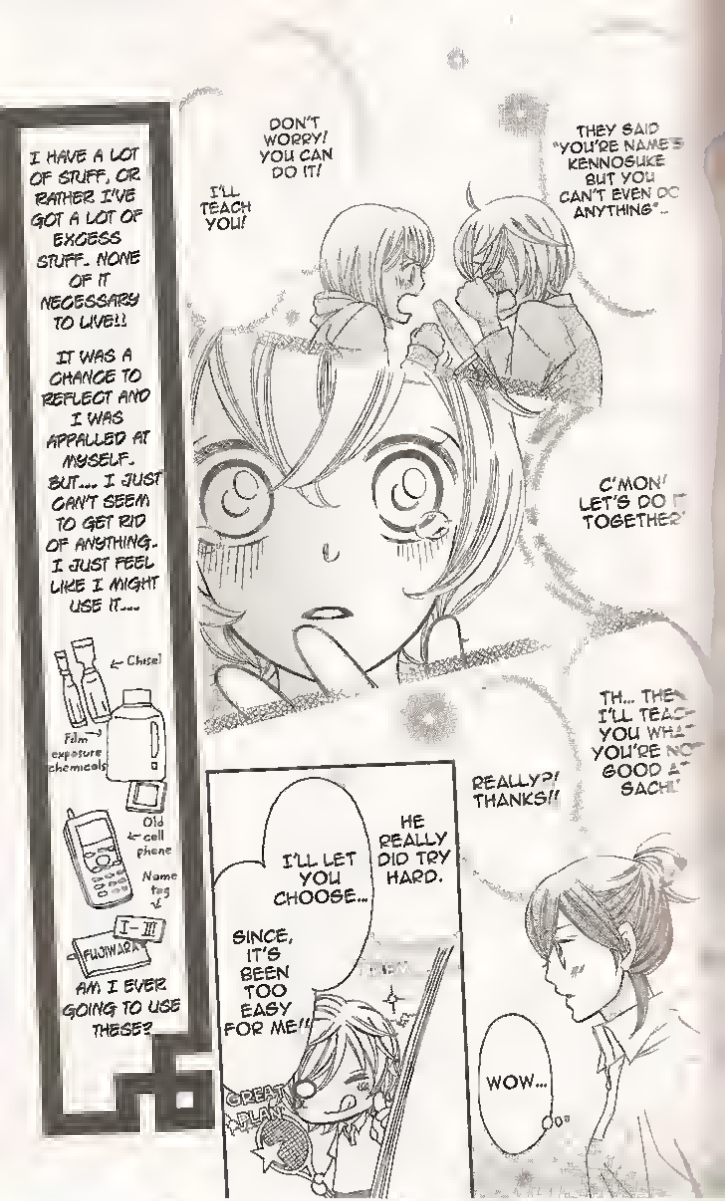

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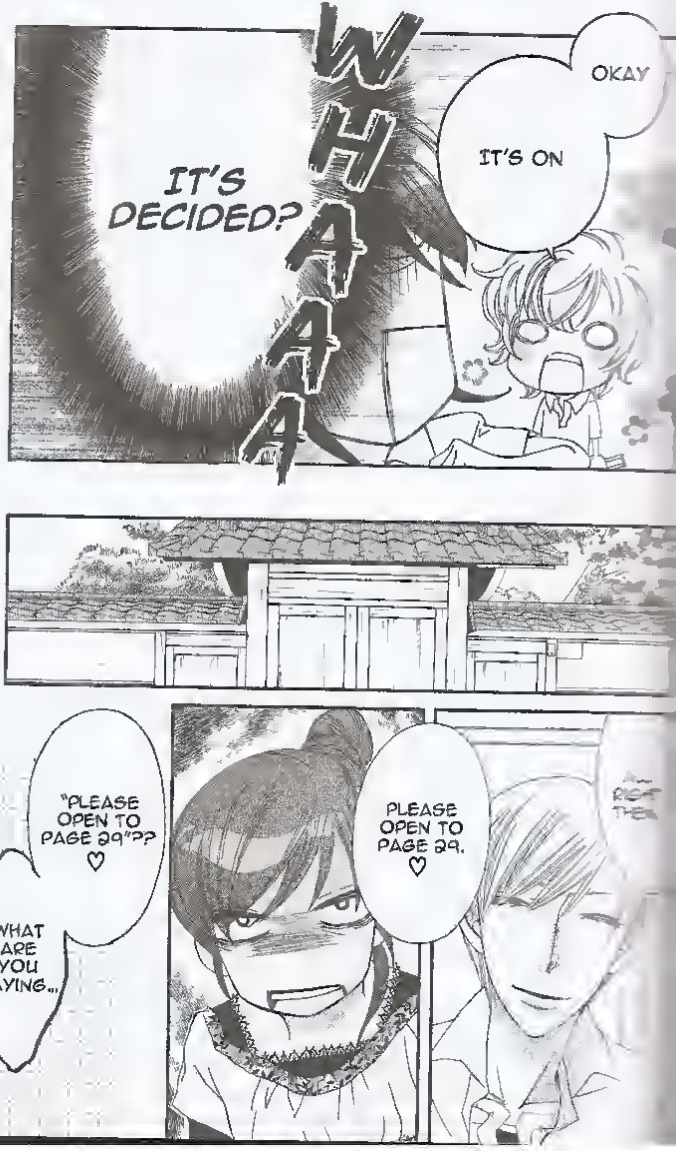

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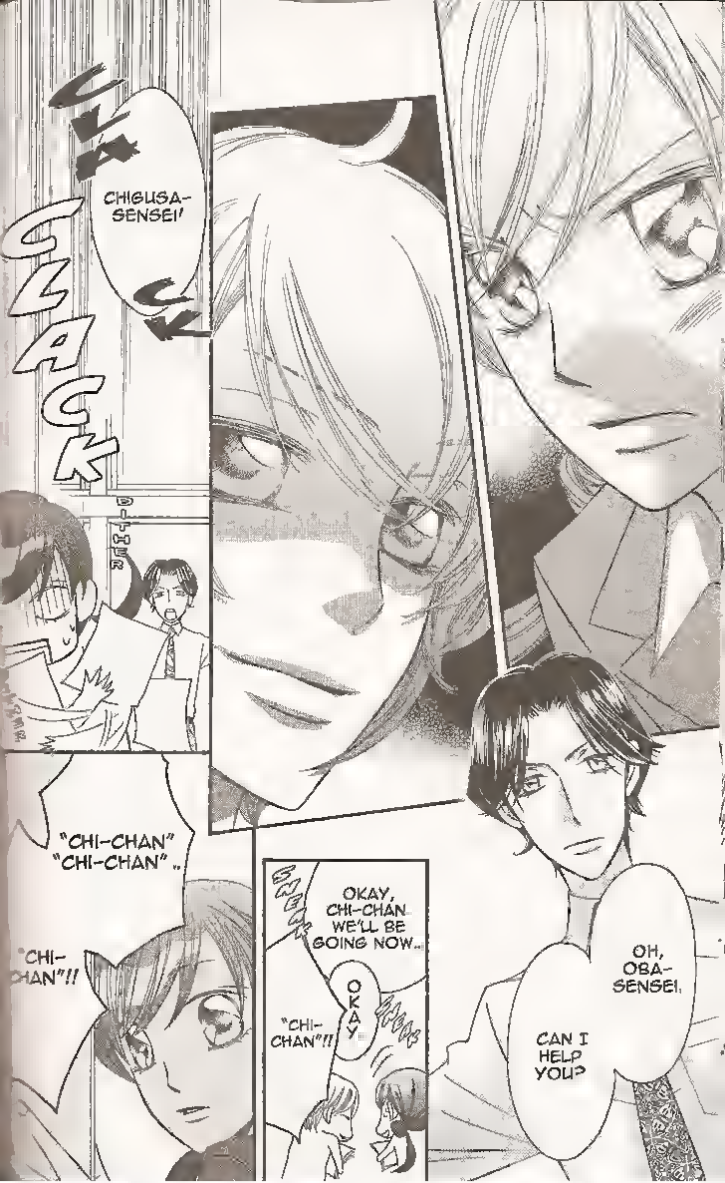

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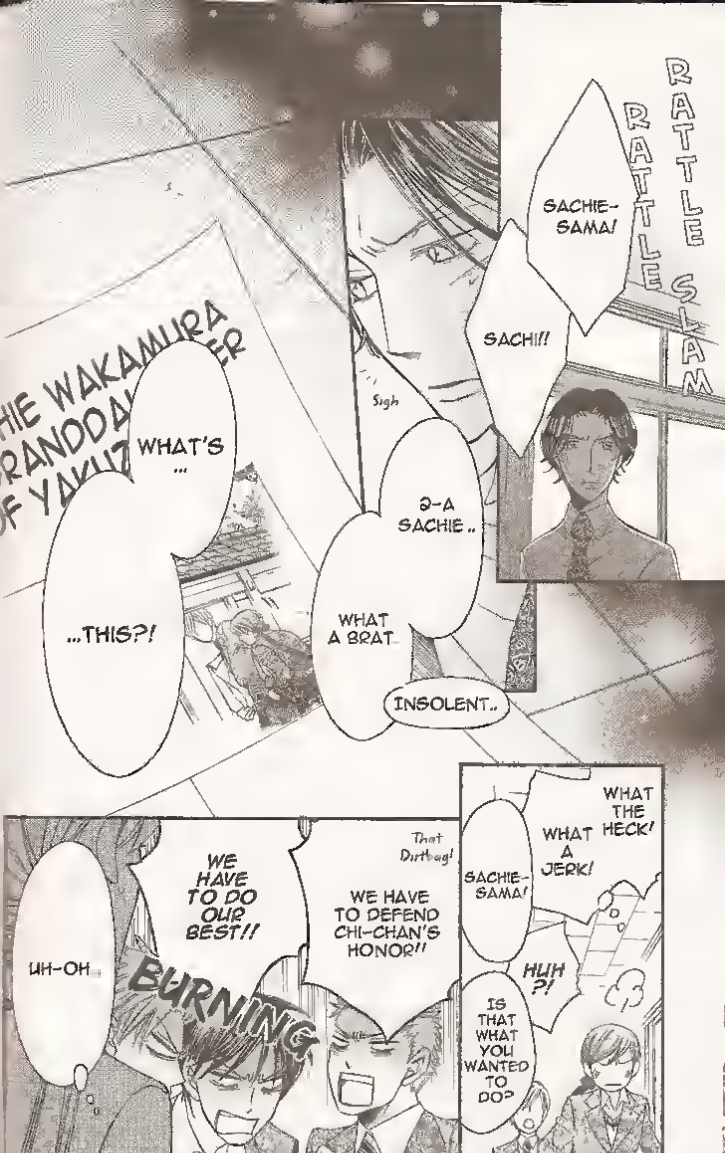

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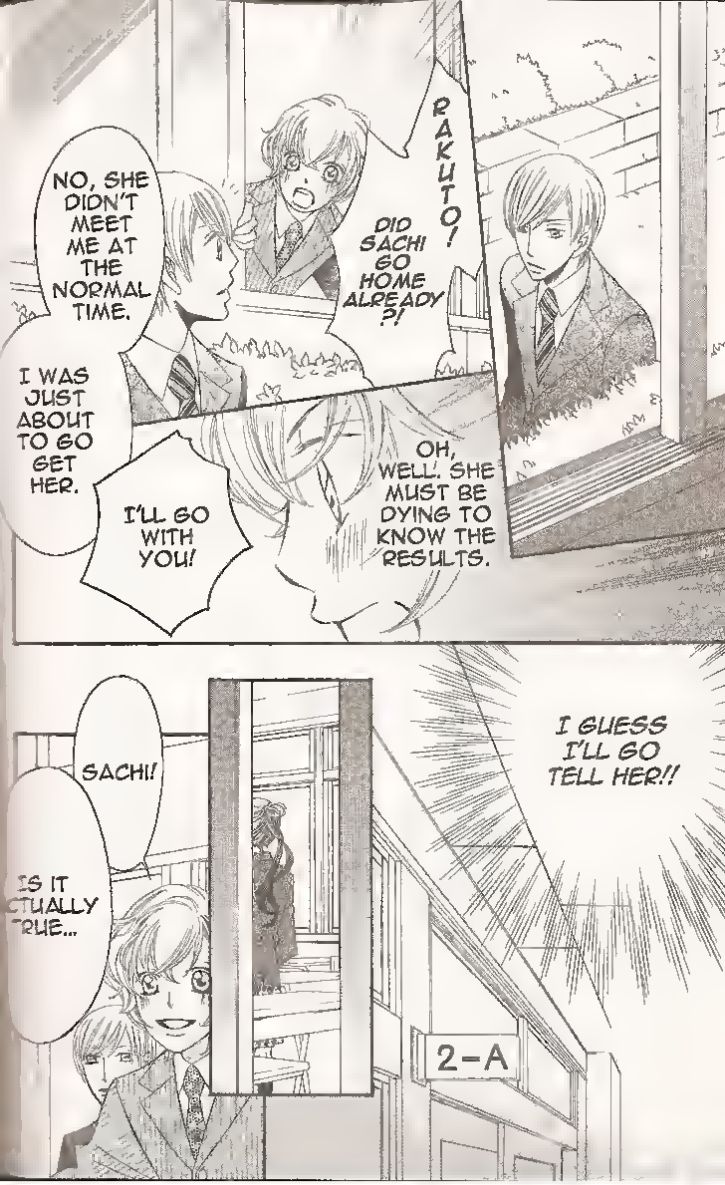

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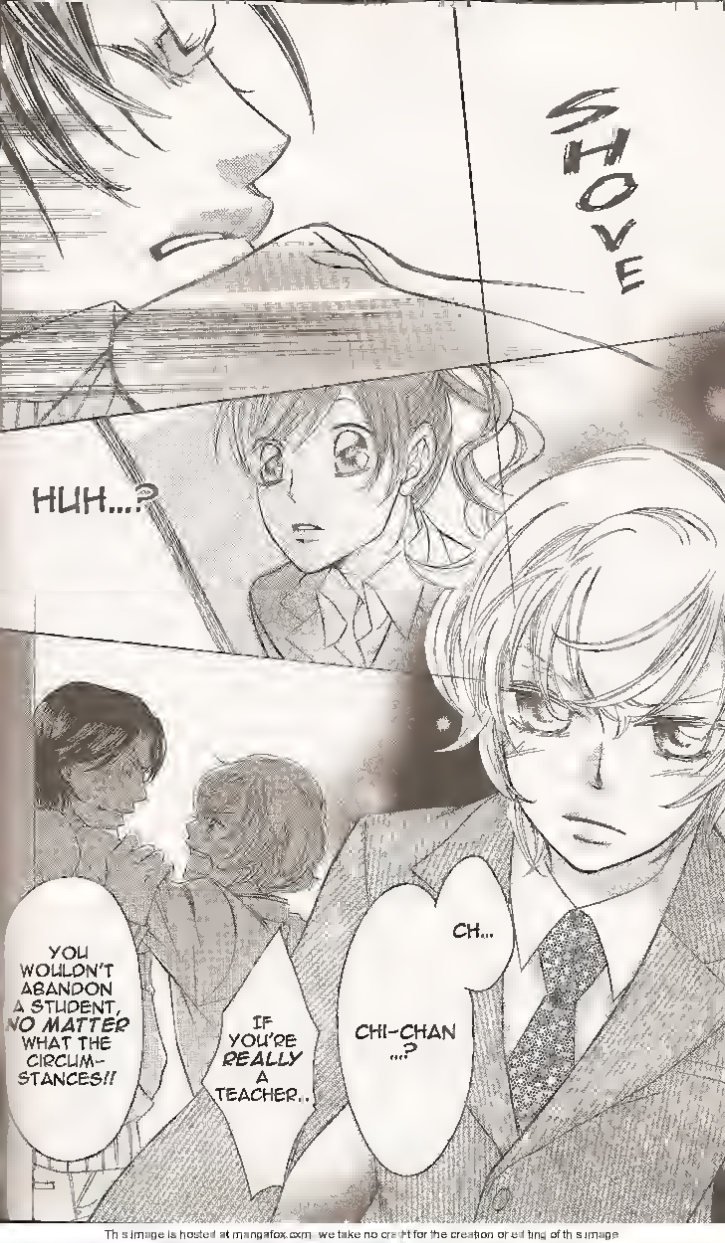

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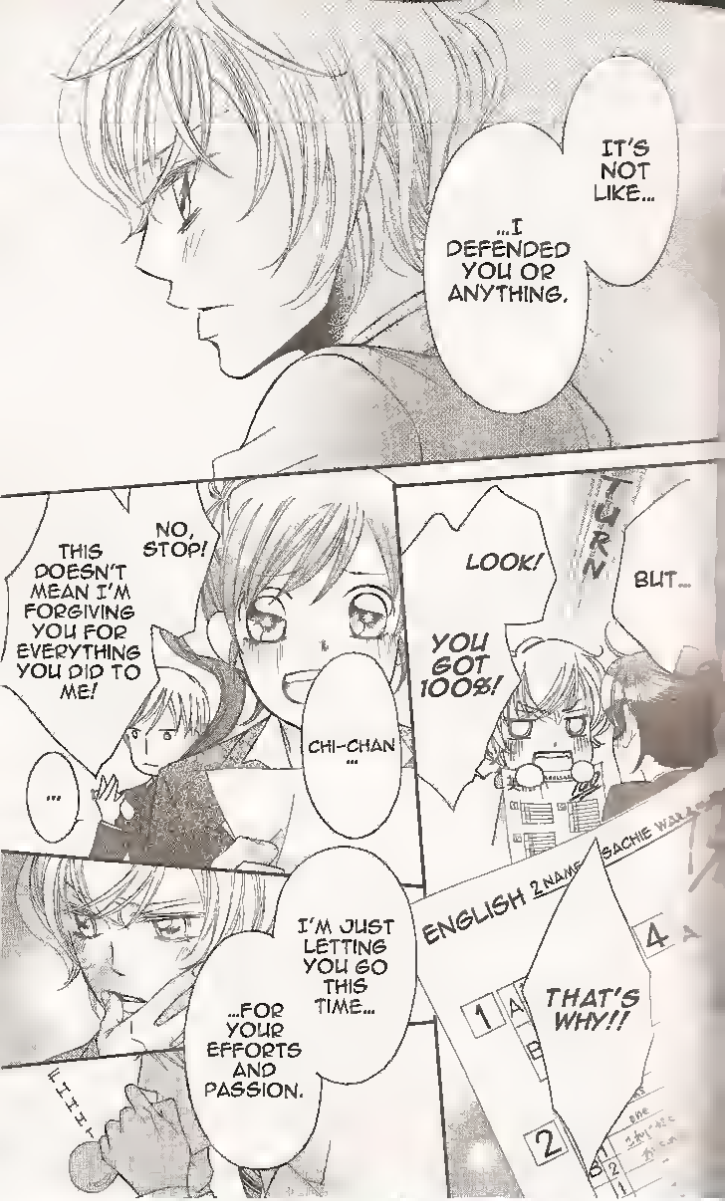

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WHAT?
STARE
NOTHING...
STARE

"I GUESS IT'S NOT SO BAD IF IT MEANS YOU'LL ALWAYS BE AROUND."
LOOK AT HIM WITH HIS COOL FACE...
WHAT THE HECK IS HE THINKING?
THAT WAS...
WHAT IS IT?!
GASP!
NOTHING ...
ACTUALLY...
THERE WAS STILL ANOTHER YOUNG MAN WHO WAS BEING TOSSED AROUND...
...BY A YOUNG GIRL'S WORDS.

...PRACTICALLY A PROFESSION OF LOVE!
shake
JEEZ!
WHY DON'T YOU HELP IF YOU'VE GOT THAT KIND OF TIME!
WHAT IS IT?!
NOTHING!
WHO IS THAT?
REMEMBER THAT GUY YOICHI?
HE WANTED A HOUSE SO HE GOT OUT OF THE BUSINESS AND STARTED A RESTURANT WITH HIS WIFE.
WHAT?! YOUICHI?!
HEY, SACHI!
DO YOU MIND POURING SOME TEA FOR MY GUESTS?
BE RIGHT THERE!

B-B-B-BURGLARY ??!!
Hmm...
WELL, I GUESS IN NORMAL TERMS IT WOULD BE...
...BURGLARY.
Something like that
EXACTLY, THAT YOICHI.
YOU MEAN THE TATAKI YOICHI?!
POOF
What's "Tataki"?
NOTHING TO FRET ABOUT.
HE USED TO BE WELL KNOWN FOR HIS SKILL IN THE BUSINESS...
THERE'S NOTHING I CAN'T TAKE.
POOF
LONG TIME NO SEE..
BOSS...
...PRETTY SOFT
HE'S GOTTEN...

FROM WHAT I GATHER, HIS WIFE DIED A MONTH AGO AND HE'S FORCED TO CLOSE SHOP.
HE'S HERE WITH HIS SON TO PAY HIS RESPECTS TO THE BOSS.
I APOLOGIZE FOR ALL THE TROUBLE I'VE CAUSED.
PA...
PARDON ME...
OH, KNOCK IT OFF.
IT'S BEEN A ROUGH ROAD FOR YOU.
KNOCK
SFX: BABUMP BABUMP
BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO QUIT YOUR LIVELIHOOD LIKE THIS.
TATAKI ... TATAKI ...
IT'S NOT THAT I WANT TO CLOSE SHOP.
YOU'VE WORKED SO HARD...
BUT EVER SINCE I MANNED THE KITCHEN AFTER MY WIFE PASSED, THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS HAS GONE DOWN.

IT'S TOO DIFICULT TO CARRY ON...
WOW...
THE SON LOOKS SO KIND...
SMILE
SIGH
Relif
I SEE ...
BOSS ...
WHO'S THIS?
OH, THAT'S MY GRAND-DAUGHTER, SACHIE.
Wha...?
YOUR GRAND-DAUGHTER ?!
SFX: SNAP
To
TATAKI... TATAKI...
YES.
He.
Hello..
OH ...
THAT'S RIGHT.

SACHI, WHAT DID YA WANT TO EAT TODAY?
YOU MEAN, YOU'RE MISS YUKI'S...?!
TATAKI !!
SFX HYAA
TATAKI ...?
DAMN!!
FLOP
OH I MEAN... UMM...
YOICHI, CAN YOU MAKE TATAKI?!
HUH? YES...
ALL RIGHT.
C'MON. SACHI. WE'RE GOING OUT.
Kinda of...
HUH ...
YOU'RE ALWAYS THE ONE COOKING.
SIT BACK AND RELAX FOR A CHANGE.

HMM... I DUNNO YET.
YOU'RE NOT GONNA PICK HIM UP?
ARE YOU GONNA USE MATSUZAKA, YASU?
OF COURSE I WILL! HE'S WORLD FAMOUS NOW! I'D NEVER GET RID OF HIM!
CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING, YASU?
Huh?
DOES THE "CARE-TAKER" EVER CHANGE?
CARE-TAKER?
WHAT'S THAT?
BEEP BEEP
I see
BASICALLY, IT DOESN'T CHANGE.
YOU KNOW, LIKE IF HE GOT CAUGHT OR GOT HIT BY A STRAY BULLET.
Huh?
LIKE WHAT?
I GUESS, IF SOMETHING HAPPENED IT'D CHANGE.
IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE SACHIE REALIZED IT YET, BUT...
I HAVE A FEELING...
TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE.
THEY'RE GONNA GET TOGETHER IF I JUST LEAVE THEM BE.

7
I'LL WIN IF I'M THE BETTER CARETAKER!!
JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE MATSUZAKA DOESN'T MEAN I'M GONNA USE YOU!!
WHAT?
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING...?!
THAT'S RIGHT! I'M GONNA TAKE OVER ALL THE CARETAKING DUTIES!
AND I'M GONNA WIN!!
Finally a game!
YAHOO!
I MADE UP MY MIND! I'M NOT GONNA USE MATSUZAKA!
SFX: MWUHAHAHA
I KNOW!
SHOPPING?!
Huff Huff
OH, UMM...
WHAT HAPPENED?
SA-SA-SA-SACHI...
NO...
THAT'S NOT IT...
YES MA'AM!
I'M ON MAY WAY!
AGHHHH!!
AZUMA...
LET'S GET RIGHT TO IT...

味よし食事ビギ
食事どころ
APPARENTLY WE'RE GOING OUT TONIGHT. ♡

SFX. CRUMBLE
RATTLE
PLEASE! COME IN!
RATTLE
RATTLE
EATING OUT...

POP
RATTLE
I'M NOT TOO CONFIDENT IN THE TASTE, BUT..
WELL...

SFX RATTLE RATTLE
PLEASE.♡
ガラッ!!!
I WONDER IF YUKARI'S PLACE IS OPEM YET.
Hmm
SHE SHOULD BE... IT'S ALMOST FIVE O'CLOCK.
IS IT BECAUSE I SAID I'M NOT CONFIDENT IN THE TASTE?
IDIOT! THAT'S THE LEAST OF YOUR PROBLEMS!
WALK WALK
IT'S DARK!
THE AIR'S STUFFY!
SFX: UGHH
IT'S DIRTY!
C'MON, LET'S GO!
MISS!
OUR SMALL CONTRIBUTION TO THIS PLACE ISN'T GONNA SAVE IT, BOSS.
LET'S GO HOME.
WHA...
IT'S NO WONDER YOU DON'T GET ANY CUSTOMERS!!
STING
STING
MISS...
Y yeah.

RUB
RUB
WOW...
LOOK AT HOW BIG THE FRIDGE IS...
RUB
OMG!
FIVE STOVE TOPS?!
And they're gas burners!
OMG!
A 100 LITER POT!
Ten servings would be nothing on this thing!
WOW...
I WISH I COULD COOK AT A PLACE LIKE THIS.
WHAT A DIFFERANCE PROFES-SIONAL TOOLS ARE...
WHAT?! WHOSE STORE IS THIS?!
DRAFT OR MALT?
OKAY, I'VE GOT A MISO MACKEREL DINNER AND A BEER.
SO, TWO CHICKEN DOMBURI.
ME TOO.
I WANT THE CHICKEN DOMBURI.
SFX SIT SIT SIT

WE'RE ALL KIND OFF HUNGRY.
LET'S NOT SWEAT IT.
So much stuff
so much to cook with
IT WAS SO FUN...
I MADE TOO MUCH.
SO, WHA'DYA THINK OF MISS SACHIE'S FOOD?
WHA?! WHAT THE HECK?!
WA... WAS IT THAT BAD?!
SFX: SNIFF SNIFF SNIFF

WHA...?
MOM?
RIGHT.
HE'S PROBABLY RIGHT.
IT TASTES LIKE...
...MOM'S COOKING.
I USED TO LIVE ON MISS YUKIE'S FOOD WHEN I WAS AT THE HOUSE.
MY COMFORT FOOD IS THE TASTE OF THE FOOD BACK THEN.
I THINK I MAY HAVE MARRIED MY WIFE PARTLY BECAUSE SHE REMINDED ME OF THAT COOKING.

DAD! LET'S HAVE MISS SACHIE TEACH US HOW TO COOK!!
I KNOW!
HUH?
THEN THE CUSTOMERS WOULD COME BACK SAYING WE GOT OUR OLD TASTE BACK!
BUT...
SOKICHI. .
THEN...
WE WOULDN'T HAVE TO...
...CLOSE DOWN THE STORE THAT MOM LOVED SO DEARLY.

MISS SACHIE...

HUH?

UMMM. THAT'S KIND OF A HUGE RESPON-SIBIL-

THAT'S RIGHT, SOKICHI.

SLIP

SHE MAY BE GOOD AT COOKING, BUT SHE'S AN AMATEUR.

SHE'S A GOOD HOME COOK, BUT NOTHING MORE.

WHEW

GRAND-PA...

BUT DAD'S COOKING DOESN'T EVEN QUALIFY FOR HOME COOKING!!

TELL ME HOW YOU REALLY FEEL...

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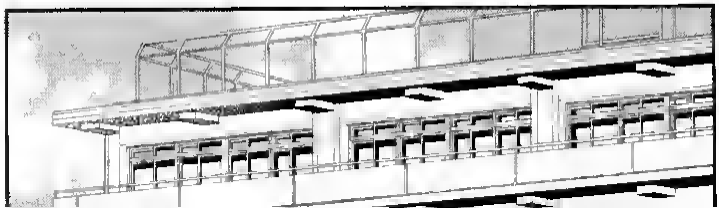
SO... SO-KICHI...

SFX DOOM

PLEASE!

PLEASE, MISS SACHIE!!



RUN
RUN
3-A
RUN
RUN
OH, WAIT!
I FORGOT TO DISTRIBUTE THE TRACK PLANS.
OKAY!
THAT'S IT FOR TODAY!
DING DONG
DING
SFX: SLAM
EXCUSE ME!!
SFX: BAM BAM

HUFF
WHAT'S UP, SACHIE?
YOU NEVER COME ALL THE WAY HERE.
HUFF
UMM, I WAS LOOK-ING FOR...
RAKUTO ...
P
N G
RAKUTO'S TAKING A DUMP RIGHT NOW, SO I'D BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO...
SHALL WE GO, SACHIE-SAMA?
WHA?
HOW'D YOU KNOW I WANTED TO GO SOME-WHE...?
YOU'RE GOING TO GO DECLINE THE JOB AT THE SHOP, RIGHT?!

WHA?
YOU'RE NOT GONNA HELP THEM, SACHE?
NO...
I WAS THINKING HOW RIGHT GRANDPA WAS.
SHALL WE GET GOING THEN?
JEEZ...
WHAT THE HECK...
HE'S SO ANNOY-ING.
DOES THIS MEAN, I SHOULD JUST GIVE UP TOO?
MRMR
MRMR
HSWS 35

HEY...
WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
WHA...
YOICHI-SAN!
WHAT HAP-PENED ?!
DRIP
MI...
MISS SACHIE...
IT'S DANGEROUS YOU SHOULDN'T COME IN HERE...
HEY Y'ALL,
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DON'T PAY MONEY BACK.
LOAN SHARKS ?!
WHY DIDN'T YOU SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THIS TO GRANDPA LAST NIGHT?!
I...
I CAN'T ASK ANYMORE FROM THE BOSS.

SFX: STARTLE
WHY DON'T YOU JUST CLOSE IT FOR GOOD...
SFX: SMASH
C'MON. GIVE IT UP ALREADY.
NOBODY COMES HERE ANYWAYS.
KNOCK
BUT..
HE DOESN'T HAVE TO CLOSE SHOP IF HE RESTURNS THE MONEY?
SACHIE-SAMA
SACHIE!
LOOKY HERE. ARE YOU GONNA COME UP WITH THE MONEY, LITTLE LADY?
THAT'S A GOOD ONE!
WHY DON'T YOU SIGN THIS...
SFX: SLAM

COSIGNER
I PROMISE...
I'LL PAY YOU EVERY DIME HE OWES!!
SACHI...

WHA-WHA-WHAT THE HECK DID YOU JUST DO?!
YOU'RE GONNA PAY IT OFF?!
WHAT'RE YOU PLANNING ON DOING?!
Tho.
THAT'S IMPOS-SIBLE!
LOOK AT THIS PLACE?!
ARE YOU GOING TO REBUILD THIS PLACE?!
Wha?!
RE-BUILD?!
PAT
THANK YOU, MISS SACHIE...
IT'S OKAY. THIS WAS THIS STORE'S FATE...
FROM NOW ON, MY SON AND I ARE...
YOU HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING YET.

YOU STARTED THIS PLACE FROM NOTHING WITH YOUR WIFE, DIDN'T YOU?
YOU PUT YOUR BLOOD AND SWEAT INTO THIS STORE, AND YOU MADE IT THIS FAR.
SWIPE
KNOCK
THEN, WHY DON'T YOU PUT THAT KIND OF EFFORT INTO THIS PLACE, ONE MORE TIME?
YOU MIGHT GET SOMETHING BAKC.
CLINK
CLANK
LET'S SEE HOW FAR WE CAN GO.
SWIPE
SWIPE

SAVE THE GIVING UP FOR LATER.

SAVE
THE
GIVING
UP...

...FOR LATER.
THAT'S RIGHT. THIS IS IT.
YOU'VE GOT THE POWER OF INSPIRATION SACHIE
SH...
SHE'S BRILLIANT!
NO?
IF YOU DON'T HAVE A BOYFRIEND, THEN...
SACHIE HAS...
AND MAKES PEOPLE FEEL LIKE ANYTHING'S POSSIBLE.
WHAT?!
LET'S RUN THIS STORE TOGETHER!!
SHE CHANGES EVERYTHING SHE TOUCHES.
HUH?!
MARRY ME, MISS SACHIE!

...THAT KIND OFF AFFECT.
PLEASE DON'T PERSUE MY SACHIE.
YOU'RE MISS SACHIE'S BOY-FRIEND?!
Well
SOME THING LIKE THAT.
WHA...
AZUMA...
Shh
IT'S BETTER TO LET HIM THINK THAT.

IS IT TRUE, MISS SACHIE?!
PULL
HUH?
OH, UMM... YES, OF COURSE...
THAT'S RIGHT. I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING YET.
WHAT?!
AZUMA!
RUN
Oh
Ye
Yeah.
Really?
Really?
I'M SAVING...
IF WE CAN PAY THIS MONEY BACK...
...I'M TELLING SACHI HOW I FEEL.
I'VE DECIDED...
... THE GIVING UP FOR LATER.

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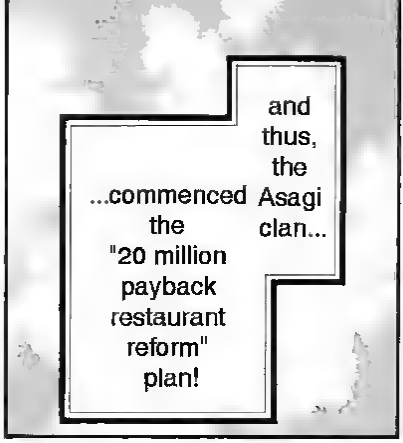

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But boss!

That deed was probably rigged to begin with!

Doesn't matter

as long as he has the deed, we don't have a chance

better to let go ..

Where do you plan on going?

SFX SLIP

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"I"...?
THAT'S...
...AN EASY QUES-TION.
...TO ANSWER.
"WHAT DO 'YOU' WANT TO DO?"

'SCUSE US!
HEART★BEAT LENDING
SFX: SLAM
WELCOME. WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU AT THIS LATE HOUR?
WELL, IF IT ISN'T MISS WAKAMURA!
OH, HELLO...
YEAH...

EMPTY
SO? THE DEADLINE'S TOMORROW, BUT ARE YOU HERE TO RETURN THE MONEY?
OH, JUST SOME SPRING-CLEANING.
THAT'S RIGHT!
HEY! YOU DOUBLED THE DEED DIDN'T YOU?
OR ELSE THERE'S NO WAY THAT 500 THOUSAND CAN BE 20 MILLION IN THREE MONTHS!
IF YOU REVERSE THE INTEREST TO A DECENT ONE WE'LL PRETEND TO LOOK THE OTHER WAY!
ARE YOU...
... MOVING?
NOW SHOW US THE DEED!!

WHAD'YA SAY?
DON'T PLAY DUMB!
DO YOU HAVE ANY PROOF?
TURN
Hmm
YOU SHOULDN'T MAKE SUCH LUDICROUS ACCUSATIONS.
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
YOU'RE MOVING OFFICES?!
BUT...
WE DECIDED TO COME HERE ONLY A FEW HOURS AGO.
YOU'RE NOT MAKING ACCUSATIONS WITHOUT ANY PROOF, ARE YOU?
YOU DIRTY JERKS!
YOU KNEW WE WERE COMING, DIDN'T YOU?!
THE ONLY PEOPLE WHO KNOW THAT ARE...
HEY!
SOME-WHERE? WHERE?
PROOF
THE PROOF'S SOME-WHERE IN THIS ROOM...

ALL HERE...
SOME-ONE HERE...
...IS A SNITCH?
HEY...
I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU, BUT...
WHAT WERE YOU DOING IN THE CAR WITH THESE FELLAS?
KAZOZOKU

RAKUTO?
WHAT'D YA SAY...?
RAKU...?
IN THE CAR?
GRAB
WA...!
WAIT! WAIT!
YOU...!
WHAT'RE YOU...
DROP
IT HAS TO BE A MIS-STAKE! IT WASN'T HIM!
THERE'S NO WAY HE WOULD DO SOME-THING LIKE THAT!
MISS! I NEED YOU TO STEP ASIDE! RAKU, WHAT'S GOING ON?!
"WANT DO "YOU"
WHAT DID YOU WANT TO DO?
"...WANT TO DO?

RING
RING
RING
RING
RING
RING
RING
RING
RING
I...
WHY...
...IS HIS NUMBER ...
...IN YOUR CELL...?
CLICK
HELLO.
YOU'VE REACHED HEART-BEAT LENDING.
WHA...
RAKUTO!
SO, YOU REALLY...!

RAKUTO ...?

WHY?!

HA HA HA.

THANKS TO YOU, WE WERE ABLE TO GET OUT ANYTHING THAT WOULD BE INCRIMI-NATING.

WHAT?

AS LONG AS WE CAN GET THROUGH TODAY...

...WE'LL BE COMING OVER WITH THE DEED TOMORROW.

NO...

RAKUTO! ***ANSWER*** ME!

YOU MUST ...

...HAVE YOUR REASONS !!

「ぼくはね」の頃のネームとかでてきて「ホー」と思ったんですけど みんな こういうのどうしてるんでしょうね…？

捨ててる

そうだよね やっぱり捨てられない

え!?

ズバッ

だってどうするの

（菅野 文 談）

そう… ですよね、捨てますよね…。

…わかりました!!

次の引っ越しの時には 捨てようと思います!!

（イ判でない）

NOTHING.
IT'S EXACTLY AS IT SEEMS.
WHAT ELSE DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?
SO, THAT'S THAT.
RAKUTO
JUST TAKE IT AS A GOOG LESSON TO NOT TRUST YOUR FAMILY.
C'MON, RAKUTO.
RAKU!

SHUT UP AND ANSWER ME!!
WHAT ARE YOU TO SACHIE?!
RAKU ...
WHAT ARE YOU TO SACHIE?
WHAT DO YOU...
EXHEAT INN
THAT'S RIGHT
...
HER CARE-TAKER...

RAKUTO IGARASHI IS NOT SACHIE WAKAMURA'S ...
..."BOYFRIEND" OR "PRETEND BOYFRIEND" ...
HE'S JUST HER "CARETAKER"!!
SNAP
A...
AZUMA?
THAT'S RIGHT.
SO WHAT'S YOUR POI...
ALL RIGHT!
LET'S GO HOME EVERYBODY!
OKAY, THEN.
HUH?
WHAT'RE SAYING, AZUMA? WHAT ABOUT RAKUTO?
HUH?
FORGET ABOUT HIM.
WHAT?
BUT, AZUMA... THERE'S STILL THE DEED, AND...
WHY DON'T WE...
SFX: CREAK

SIRENS
...LET THESE GENTLEMEN TAKE CARE OF ALL OF THAT.
A BRO!!
HOW DID THEY GET HERE SO FA...
CRAP! THE PIGS!
FREEZE!
SLAM. SLAM
NO...
HOW...? HOW DID THEY GET TO THE...
YOU MUST BE HEART-BEAT LENDING
GOOD WORK WITH THE MOVE
ARE YOU MR. IGARASHI WHO PUT IN THE CALL?
WE FOUND A LOT OF INTERESTING STUFF IN THERE.
YES.

THAT'S TER-RIBLE!
YOU'RE NOT HURT?
NO—
BARF
BARF
BARF
Y...
YOU BETRAYED US?!
BETRAY?
HE WASN'T IN BED WITH YOU TO BEGIN WITH!
THESE GUYS HAVE BEEN THREAT-ENING ME FOR A LONG TIME...
I WAS SO SCARED...
"TAKE IT AS A GOOD LESSON TO NOT TRUST YOUR FAMILY".
DID YOU LEARN YOUR LESSON?

ARREST THEM!!
AHHH!
C'MON
You infants.
WHY WOULD HE CALL HIMSELF A "CARETAKER" IF HE'D BETRAYED US...
...IN THE FIRST PLACE?
BUT I THOUGHT THE ONE THING WE HAVE IN COMMON IS...
WOW!!
DID YOU KNOW THAT RAKUTO WAS ACTING...
...FROM THE VERY BEGINING?
Huh?
I WASN'T ...UMM...
Did I know...?
WE WOULD NEVER DO ANYTHING TO MAKE SACHIE SAD.
WE THINK THE SAME.
IT'S LIKE...
...WE HAVE DIFFERENT WAYS OF EXPRESSING IT

NOT THAT I WOULD EVER ADMIT IT!!
HEY! IT'S THE 500 THOUSAND YEN DAD BORROWED!!
HEY! You're right!
ANYWAY ...
I DON'T HAVE TIME TO SYMPATHIZE RIGHT NOW.
HEY, OFFICER! Wait a sec!
HMM ... IN ALL THIS CHAOS ...
HEY, SACHIE.
Yahoo
I THINK WE CAN SAY...
...THAT WE WERE ABLE TO RETURN EVERY-THING?
YEAH.
WE WERE ABLE TO RETURN THE ENTIRE DEBT.
I WANTED TO...
...TALK TO YOU ABOUT SOMETHING.
THE REAL BATTLE'S ...
...JUST ABOUT TO BEGIN.

KANPAI!!
THANK YOU ALL...
...FOR YOUR HARD WORK THESE PAST FEW DAYS!
NOW YOU'VE GOT A FRESH START.
A PRETTY STORE AND SOME GOOD FOOD.
YOU'LL BE OKAY WITHOUT US NOW.
NO...
NO WAY!!
SOKICHI ...?
THE FOOD AND THE DECOR ARE IMPORTANT...
BUT AZUMA-SAN AND RAKUTO-SAN ARE RHE ONES WHO BROUGHT IN THE CUSTOMERS FOR US.
I'M NOT SHURE WE CAN GET BY WITHOUT THEM...
JEEZ, SOKICHI ...
YOU'RE MAKING ME BLUSH.
OH, THE FLATTERY.
HMMM

Y...
YES, SIR...!
NOW GIVE US A SMILE!
C'MON SMILE FOR US!
YOU'LL BE OKAY! AS LONG AS YOU GREET CUSTOMERS WITH SINCERITY!
THEY'LL JUST GRAVITATE TOWARDS YOU!
NOD
NOD
You'll do better than okay
I promise
Whoa
SLIP
The store's in good hands.
GO TO A BARBER!
DON'T YOU THINK WE SHOULD GET CONTACTS FIRST?
HEY, RAKU! WHAT'S WRONG?
YOU'VE BARELY TOUCHED YOUR FOOD!
DON'T WORRY.
I'M JUST A LITTLE FULL...
It's late too.
SMIRK
I'M GONNA...
...DO MY VERY BEST!

Thanks for your hard work.
SACHIE!
WILL YOU GRAB ME THE TUNA OVER THERE?
どっきーん
SFX BABUMP
A-A-A-ZUMA!!
IT LOOK SO GOOD. DID YOU MAKE IT?
W-W-W-WELL... YEAH, I DID... BUT...
SACHIE! WATCH OUT! YOU'RE SPILLING!!
Miss!
ARE YOU DYING TO KNOW?

NOT REALLY...
WHY?!
TURN
YOU WANT TO KNOW, DON'T YOU?
WHAT SACHIE SAID?
HEY...
WHY DO YOU ALWAYS HIDE LIKE THAT?
YOU'RE *DYING* TO KNOW!
I'M NOT HIDING
WHAT THE HECK DO "YOU" WANT TO DO?!
AND NOT BECAUSE YOU'RE HER "CARETAKER" OR SOMETHING!

THAT'S...
...AN EASY QUESTION...
...TO ANSWER.
I...
...JUST WANT...
...HER TO BE HAPPY.

DO YOU PLAN ON...
...LIVING LIKE THIS FOREVER?
SMILE
WELL, I AM THE CARE-TAKER.
HEY, RAKU!
YES?

OR...
... IF YOU REALLY ARE SO PURE THAT ALL YOU WISH FOR IS THE OTHER'S HAPPINESS...
WHAT THE HECK...
HOW IS THAT NOT HIDING?
THAT WOULD BE EMOTIONS SO DEEP THAT...
MISS SACHIE...
YOICHI-SAN?
I'VE ALWAYS JUST...
...WENT WITH WHATEVER THE UNDER-WORLD ASKED OF ME.
SO I THOUGHT ...
...I WAS GOING TO BE YAKUZA UNTIL THE DAY I DIE.

I REALIZED THAT...
EVEN FOR SOMEONE LIKE ME...
...A GREAT LIFE WOULD COME TO ME AS LONG AS I WAS WILLING TO REACH FOR IT.
BUT... I GOT OUT AND STARTED A BUSINESS...
GOT A WIFE AND A KID.
I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO SEE THAT ON MY OWN.
THANK YOU FOR SHOWING ME.
REALLY... ALL OF YOU...

THANK YOU FOR EVERY-THING YOU'VE DONE!
"AS LONG AS I WAS WILLING TO REACH FOR IT..."
WHAT A DREAMER...
YOU THINK IT'S A FOOL'S DREAM, DON'T YOU?
COME HERE...
HUH...?
BUT WHAT IF IT'S TRUE.
I'LL TELL YOU WHAT SACHIE TOLD ME.

PSYCH!
WHAT THE HECK YOU PRETEND LIKE YOU KNOW IT ALL.
YOU THINK DREAMS LIKE THAT COME TRUE?
WHAT, YOU THOUGHT I'D SAY...
WHA...
"SACHIE SAID SHE LIKES YOU."
♡
DIDN'T YOU?
DIDN'T YOU?!
HA HA HA! YOU REALLY THOUGHT I'D TELL YOU, DIDN'T YOU?
PSYCH HA HA HA!

"I'M THE CARETAKER."
SEE HOW MUCH LONGER YOU CAN KID YOURSELF.
BUT AS LONG AS...
...HE FEELS THAT WAY...
I WAS WONDER-ING...
DID AZUMA SAY SOME-THING TO YOU?
SACHIE-SAMA
THE DISTANCE BETWEEN THEM WILL NEVER SHRINK.
YOU'RE RIGHT.
WE BOTH KNOW YOU HAVEN'T GIVEN UP ON ANYTHING.
IF YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT SHE SAID TO ME, ASK HER YOURSELF!
JERKWAD!

I'VE MADE SO MANY RAW DISHES!!
HE CAN'T EAT RAW FOOD!!
WHAT DO I DO, RAKUTO?
I...
じわ
AND IF THAT'S THE CASE...
わっ
SFX: AHHH
BABUMP
H-HE CONFESSED TO ME FOR THE FIRST TIME...
SFX: SOB
I'VE STILL GOT A LOT OF CHANCES.
But he said he'd eat whatever I make!
STILL, IF I TOLD HER RIGHT NOW...
I'D BE SHOOTING MYSELF IN THE FOOT.
FIRST...
I'LL DO EVERYTHING I CAN.

IS SOMETHING WRONG, MISS KINOSHITA?
SIGH...
FACULTY
IT'S TOO EARLY IN THE GAME TO GIVE UP!
...RAKUTO CAREER PATH SHEET IS...
...STILL BLANK.
IT'S THE FIRST SEMESTER OF HIS LAST YEAR AND...
I'LL GO WITH YOU!
SACHIE! YOU GOING SHOPPING?!
BUT, I GUESS SHE'S STILL A SECOND YEAR...
OH, I HAVE ONE LIKE THAT TOO. SACHIE WAKAMURA.
HEY!
IT'S ONLY JUST BEGUN!

SMILE
SACHIE-SAMA...
SMILE
I HEARD THAT THE FISH MARKET'S HAVING A BIG SASHIMI SALE TODAY! ♡
Come now
Huh?
RAKUTO, YOU JERK!!
WELL...
DON'T GIVE UP...
Don't worry. You're okay as long as Sachie sama prepares it right?
Ye Yeah But!!
I GUESS THEY STILL HAVE A BIT OF TIME...
THERE IS PROBABLY ...
...MORE THAN ONE FUTURE IN STORE.

THEN...

...YOU SHOULD NAME IT AFTER SOMEONE YOU LOVE...

BECAUSE, THEN...

...NEED A HOME?
DO YOU...
アクレ

YOU'LL WANT...
TO BE TO-GETHER FOR-EVER.

CHECK IT OUT.
MEOW
A CAaaa

It's tiny!
OMG! IT'S SO CUTE!
IT'S A CAT!!
WHERE'D YOU GET THAT?!
I FOUND HIM.
HE'S A STRAY?
I CAN'T BELIVE IT! HE'S SO CUTE!
YEAH. YOU THINK SO TOO, RIGHT?
HE'S YOURS.
WHAT THE HECK IS THAT SUPPOSED TO MEAN?
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO PICKED HIM UP. YOU CAN'T JUST DUMP HIM...
AS IF HE WERE A STRAY!!
IT IS A STRAY.
Calm down
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ずんずん
SKY STOMP TOKYO

I'VE NEVER HAD A PET IN MY LIFE.
NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER SEEN HIM TAKE CARE OF AN ANIMAL.
He wants to play but not take care of it
CLAP
THERE WAS THAT ONE TIME!
MEOW
THAT'S NO EXCUSE.
To abandon him
WELL...
I CAN'T TAKE CARE OF LIVING THINGS.
MISS YUKIE BROUGHT BACK A MOUSE ONE TIME, AND JIN WAS SUPPOSED TO FEED IT.
REALLY?
WHAT HAP-PENED TO IT?!
SHOCK
I THINK IT DIDN'T LAST A MONTH.
You're not saying
IT GOT COLD AND...
...KINDA STIFF.
SHIVER
SHIVER

DON'T WORRY.
WE'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU.
THERE, THERE. IT'S OKAY.
YOU'RE NOT ALLOWD TO KEEP HIM!!
GRAB
OH...
REALLY?
Hey!
OKAY.
TAKE GOOD CARE OF HIM!
☆
JIN!!
SWOOSH
HUH?
SWOOSH
WAIT A SEC...
JIN!
STARE
...
WHAT'S WRONG?
WHAT'S THIS?
DO YOU HAVE BEETLES AS PETS OR WHAT?
HUH?

THE CUCUMBER'S A HORSE, AND THE EGGPLANT'S A COW...
THEY SYMBOLIZE A SWIFT RETURN BY HORSE, AND A SLOW TRIP BACK TO THE AFTERLIFE.
BUT THEN, WHY WOULD YOU PROP IT UO LIKE THAT...?!
WHAT, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THOSE ARE?
THEY'RE SPIRIT HORSES.
AND...
WE'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE A WELCOMING FIRE TO LET THEM KNOW WHERE TO GO.
THEY SAY THAT THE SPIRITS OF THE DEAD RIDE THEM BACK.
SO...
...MOM CAN COME HOME WITHOUT LOSING HER WAY.

OH RIGHT ...
I FORGOT.
TODAY'S ...
...OBON.. THE FESTIVAL OF SOULS.
MISS YUKIE...?
...IS COMING?
RIDING A CUCUMBER?
Miss! Calm down!!
HMPH
IT'S TRADITION !!!
What's so funny?!

ALL RIGHT, THEN.
SHALL WE GO VISIT THE GRAVE?
WHERE WAS MISS YUKIE'S GRAVE AGAIN?
YUKIE'S GRAVE'S HAD NON-STOP VISITORS SINCE THIS MORNING.
SFX. ZZA
BOSS ...
IF YOU'VE GOT TIME TO VISIT OTHER FAMILIES' GRAVES,
WHY DON'T YOU VISIT YOUR OWN?
WE'VE ALL BEEN RUSHING OVER HERE.
ISN'T THIS THE FIRST OBON...
SHE'D JUST TELL YOU THAT THE SHOP'S CLOSED, IF YOU WENT THERE NOW.
...SINCE YOUR OLD MAN PASSED?
EVEN IF I WANTED TO...

THERE'S NO GRAVE TO VISIT.
HEY!
JIN!
I HEARD THAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO NAME PETS AFTER SOMEONE YOU LOVE.
WHAT'S THIS GUY'S NAME?
"THAT'S RIGHT. THEN..."
HUH?
SOMEONE YOU LOVE...?!
OH...

"YOU'LL GET AT-TACHED ...
"...AND WANT TO BE TOGETHER FOREVER."
SO, JIN?
WHO DO YOU LOVE?!
LOVE?
WHEN I SAID I COULDN'T BE RESPON-SIBLE FOR A PET...
THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID.
THERE'S KAZU FROM THE FISH MARKET! OR MISA FROM THE VEGTABLE STORE!
C'MON! THERE'S GOTTA BE SOMEONE!
NO ONE.
I TOLD HER HONESTLY.
SO...
THAT'S RIGHT!
THE PERSON YOU LOVE!

THAT'S NOT AN ANSWER.

IT'S THE SAME AS SOME SNOT-NOSED KID SAYING SHE WANTS TO MARRY HER DAD ONE DAY...

SHE HIT ME.

SIZZLE

I CAN'T HELP IT!

I REALLY DON'T HAVE ANY-BODY!

It's not me being shy.

IT'S NOT LIKE...

I NEED SOME-ONE...

I told you from the beginning.

HUH?

YOU REALLY DON'T HAVE ANY-ONE?

NO!

Leave me alone!

OKAY, THEN!

THIS GUY'S NAME IS GONNA BE "YUKIE"!

HUH?!

THANX!!

・下里さん

・柴田さん

・中村さん

・平岡さん

and

・も～ちゃん!!

本当にいつもいつもありがとうございます…。

そして読んで下さっているみなさま。だチボチとがんばりますのでこれからもよろしくです!

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NO...
LISTEN.
UNTIL SOMEONE YOU REALLY LOVE SHOWS UP...
I'LL BE "THE ONE YOU LOVE."
I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT TO BE GRATEFUL FOR WHEN I WAS SAYING I DIDN'T NEED SOMEONE LIKE THAT.
BE GRATEFUL AND TAKE GOOD CARE OF IT!
BUT WAIT!
I CAN'T TAKE CARE OF...
HUPP
OH.
...
HE'S STILL SMALL AND WEAK SO HE NEEDS TO BE KEPT AT ABOUT 75° DEGREES.
GIVE HIM MILK EVERY TWO HOURS.
OBVIOUSLY THROUGH THE NIGHT, TOO. ♡
THE ONLY THING I UNDERSTOOD WAS...
...THAT THIS JOB HAD CONVENIENTLY BEEN PAWNED OFF ON ME.
NOTE: 23.9 DEGREES CELSIUS
CHECK WHETHER HE GOES TO THE THAT'S SOILED HAS TO BE CLEANED.
BATHROOM AND ANYTHING MAKE A BED FOR...

BUT EVEN THEN...
I WASN'T ANNOYED.
YOU'LL BE FINE, JIN!
DON'T WORRY!
DON'T WORRY!
I GUESS...
...THAT WAS THE BEGINNING OF MY CARETAKER DAYS...

KNOCK
DID YOU CALL, MISS YUKIE?
JIN...
LITTLE YUKIE IS...
IT WAS THE FIRST TIME
...TURNED INTO TAKING CARE OF YUKIE THE PERSON.
IT DIDN'T TAKE LONG FOR MY DUTIES TO TAKE CARE OF "YUKIE" THE MOUSE...
Jin!
Yes!
Go buy some soy sauce!
Carry this Jin!
It's so easy with you around
Oh "the one" you love" is calling you!

NOTE: IT SAYS WAKAMURA FAMILY
若村家之墓
...THAT I EVER FELT I WANTED...
...TO TAKE CARE OF SOME-THING.
SO, I FIGURED...
...I'M CLOSING SHOP FOR THIS YEAR.
IT WAS NON-STOP PEOPLE. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW TIRED I AM.
THAT'S RIGHT.
Hmm
CHECK OUT THE FLOWERS..
IT REALLY WAS...
...AN ORDEAL SINCE THIS MORNING.
吉村家

HUH...? MISS YUKIE?
LONG TIME NO SEE, JIN! YOU'VE BECOME QUITE THE MAN!
HUH...?
WH...
WHAT?! WHY...
HUH...
HEY... GOT SOME TIME TO SPARE?
NOW, I DEFINITELY CAN'T LEAVE.
DIDN'T THINK I'D SEE A NEW FACE HERE...

SACHIE!
SACHIE!
YES!
DID YOU NEED SOME-THING, AZUMA?
OH NO...
NOT YOU SAHIE...
" I HEARD THAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO NAME PETS AFTER SOMEONE YOU LOVE."
I WAS CALLING THE CAT. ♡
CAT?
YEP. ♡ REMEMBER?
AND THE PERSON THAT IS MOST LOVED IN THIS HOUSE IS...
Omg
SACHIE! ♡
RIGHT ...?

SMACK
OH, PLEASE!
DON'T WASTE YOUR FLATTERY ON ME!
NOT ME!! ♡
WANNA GIVE IT A TRY?
I CAN'T CALL...
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT SACHIE. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE CAT.
REMEMBER THE CAT?
N...
NO, REALLY I THINK EVERYBODY FEELS THE SAME...
DON'T YOU THINK, RAKU?
ISN'T THAT WHAT YOU WANT TO CALL IT?
"SA-CHI-E?" ♡
B...
BUT...
WHAT'RE YOU EMBARRESED ABOUT?
JUST GIVE IT A TRY. COME ON.
WHA...

SFX: SLAM
Survivor
BUT, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO CALL HIM, SACHIE-SAMA?!
I did it!!
HUH?
ME...?
Che
SA...
THE PERSON I LOVE...
LET ME THINK, I GUESS THAT WOULD BE...
RA...
HMM... IT'S THE "PERSON I LOVE"... RIGHT?
HUH...?
BA BUMP
BA BUMP

SFX GA GA
HUH?
TSUNE... ARE YU TALKING ABOUT...
WH-WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WE NEED TO FIND THE CAT!
WHERE DID THE CAT GO?!
YUKARI!
WHERE ARE YOU?
MASAKO!
HEY SAKURA!
DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT'S IN THE YARD EITHER.
NOT IN THE KITCHEN.
IT'S NOT HERE.
IT'S NOT UPSTAIRS EITHER.
SACHIE!
MASAKO!
YUKARI!

THERE'S NOTHING THAT BEATS A BEER AFTER A GOOD DAY'S WORK, HUH?
SFX: SLAM
SFX: SLAM
HEY!!
WHAT...?
HEY... OH, YEAH! SOME KIMCHI, FISH AND RAY FIN...
HEY... OH, AND SOME GIZZARDS AND WINGS AND DAIKON!
HEY! CAN I GET SOME MORE EDAMAME?

...A GHOST, RIGHT?
THAT'S RIGHT.
...
YOU'RE ...
ALSO EGG AND...
...FRIED PORK PLEASE!
I wanted you to deny it.
HOLD ON A SECOND. WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?
IS THIS A DREAM? NO, IT CAN'T BE.
YOU'RE THINKING TOO HARD ABOUT THIS.
SHE CAN EAT...
EVERY-BODY SEES HER.
AND YET ...
WHY DON'T WE...
...TOAST TO OUR REUNION.
I REMEM-BER THIS...
THIS FEEL-ING...
SHE'S PUSHY AND WALKS TO THE BEAT OF HER OWN DRUM.
DOES WHATEVER SHE WANTS, YET I'M THE ONE NERVOUS FOR HER.

I DON'T CARE...
...IF THIS IS A DREAM.
SOUNDS ABOUT RIGHT.
THIS IS DEFINITELY MISS YUKIE.
MISS YUKIE'S HERE...
ARE YOU ALLOWED TO DRINK AFTER YOU DIE?
I HOPE YOU KNOW I WON'T BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS...
DON'T WORRY.
IT'S FINE.
KNOCK
WHAT'S GOING ON, BOSS?
NO... IT'S JUST THAT ...
THE SPIRIT HORSE FELL OVER AND THERE ISN'T EVEN ANY WIND...
WHY?

PHEW!
WHAT A FUN DAY!
WHY ARE YOU HERE WITH ME?
WHY?
WHY NOW?
WOW, ALL THIS EXERCISE REALLY GETS ME!
I'M GETTING OLD!
YOU SEEM YOUNGER THEN BEFORE.
I MEAN, YOU SHOULD BE 30...
?!
SMACK
OH, RIGHT...
THIS IS PROBABLY THE WAY YOU REMEMBER ME.

THIS IS ABOUT WHEN WE STOPPED BEING AROUND EACH OTHER.
ズキ
SFX STING...
I'M OLDER THAN YOU NOW.
I THOUGHT...
HER HANDS WOULD BE COLD
BUT THEY WERE UNEXPECTEDLY WARM
I'M... ...ALREADY...
SO... IT ALMOST SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE OLDER.
IT'S WEIRD.
...OLDER.

I DON'T WANT...
...THIS WARMTH TO EVER GO AWAY...
I'M...
I NEVER...
...NOT A KID ANYMORE.
...WANT TO LET GO OF THIS HAND...
OH, BUT YOU ARE.

AFRAID TO GET HURT...

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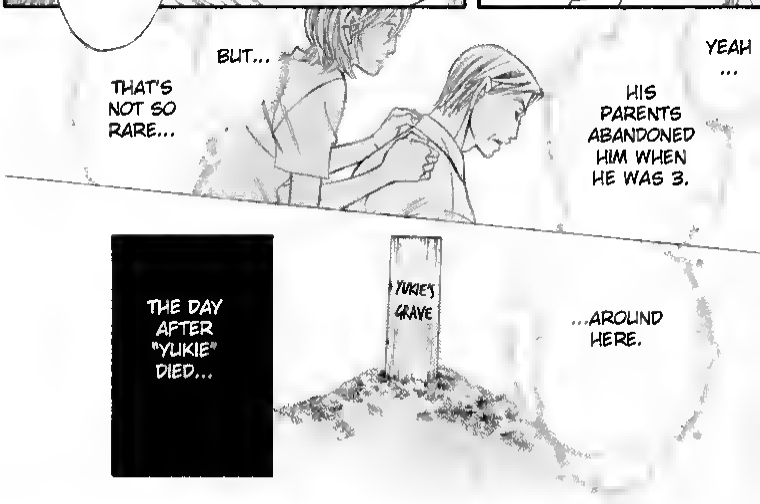
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED AT ALL...

I CAN'T TAKE CARE OF PETS ...
I TOLD YOU...
YOU NEVER DARE ...
...TO REACH OUT TO ANYTHING.


BUT...
THAT'S NOT SO RARE...
YEAH ...
HIS PARENTS ABANDONED HIM WHEN HE WAS 3.

THE DAY AFTER "YUKIE" DIED...
YUKIE'S GRAVE
...AROUND HERE.

HEY...
JIN...
JIN!
IT'S "YUKIE 2"!!
TAKE GOOD CARE OF HER!!
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO VISIT HIM TOO?
HEY! WHERE'RE YOU GOING?
I'M GOING TO FIND A HOME FOR IT!
... AND RUNNING ...
... AND RUNNING ...
Number three!!
I KEPT...
... RUNNING ...

YOU'RE AN ONLY CHILD, RIGHT?
IS THIS JIN ASO?
THAT JERK ...
HE'S NOT MY DAD...
YOUR FATHER PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY.
IF YOU COULD COME DOWN TO...
WHAT DO YOU EXPECT ...
THAT I COULD SUDDENLY SEE HIM AS A FATHER?
I DON'T KNOW WHO YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.
BE-CAUSE ...
EVERY-BODY JUST DISAP-PEARS..
THAT'S NOT...
YOU KNOW ...
WE CAN'T COME HOME UNLESS SOMEONE AMONG THE LIVING WELCOMES US.

YOUR DAD WAS...
...LOST AND COULDN'T COME HOME.
I HATE IT.
I DON'T...
...EVER...
...WANT TO BE ALONE.
I DON'T WANT TO LOSE YOU ANY-MORE
I NEED TO GET GOING TOO.
MISS YUKIE!
NOT ANYTH-ING...
...OR ANYONE...
CRAP!
LOOK AT THE TIME!

I'M ALWAYS WATCHING.
HEY, JIN!
YOU CAN'T JUST STAY LIKE THIS FOR-EVER.
YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT, RIGHT?
RING
RING
RING
UNTIL SOMEONE YOU REALLY LOVE SHOWS UP...
I'LL BE "THE ONE YOU LOVE."
YOU'VE GOT...
RING
RING
..A LOT OF PRECIOUS THINGS NOW, DON'T YOU?
"JIN!
"IT'S YUKIE 2!!

BEEP
achie
SO AHEAD AND REACH OUT.
SO...
...YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SCARRED ANY-MORE.
HELLO?
JIN?!
SOME-THING TERRIBLE HAS HAP-PENED!
AND IF YOU GET HURT AGAIN...
JUST NOW...
THAT CAT...
...YOU CAN COUNT ON THEM.
YOU'RE...
MISS! IS THAT JIN?
...NOT...

...ALONE ANYMORE.
JIN!
HEY JIN!
WE NEED YOU TO COME HERE!
JIN!
JIN!
I SEE...
DON'T WORRY!
DON'T WORRY!
YOU'LL BE FINE, JIN!
SHE CAME TO TELL ME THIS.
FOR ME...
ARGHH...
YOU WERE REALLY A BIG LOSS...
HOW DARE YOU WORRY A GHOST LIKE THIS!
THAT'S RIGHT! I'M A GHOST!

THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING.
YOU'RE STILL A KID...
WHAT'S GOING ON?
MEOW
THE CAT?
JIN!
THE CAT GOT AWAY!

HE'S RIGHT HERE.
MEOW
WHAT? YOU WERE THERE?
THAT'S RIGHT, MICHIKO!
REIKO!
WHAT'S GOING ON?
YOU MADE US WORRY, SAKURA!
IT'S BECAUSE OF WHAT YOU SAID.
THEY'RE ALL CALLING THE CAT BY THE NAME OF THE PERSON THEY LOVE...
OH...
I SEE.
SAKURA, COME HERE!
SAKURA!
...KIE.

YUKIE.
TWITCH
YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SCARED ANY-MORE.
Huh?
"YUKIE"?
THAT'S NOT...
GO AHEAD AND REACH OUT.
PURR
SORRY.
DO YOU MIND IF I TAKE IT?
WHAT?!
YOU CAN'T JUST...
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO SAID YOU COULDN'T TAKE CARE OF A PET SO WE...

DON'T WORRY, JIN!
RIGHT...
NO, YOU'RE RIGHT.
THAT'S RIGHT! WE CAN'T HAVE YUKARI BE IN THE HANDS OF...
DON'T WORRY!
DON'T WORRY.
YOU'LL BE FINE JIN.
R U B
HE'S ALREADY DECIDED...
MISS!!
W-WELL ...

OF COURSE ...
WE'RE SAD, BUT...
GOOD LUCK, JIN!
THANKS.
WE CAN TAKE CARE OF HIM WHENEVER YOU'RE AWAY.
BUT, SACHIE-SAMA...
YOU SHOULD SAY YOUR GOOD-BYES.
TO WHO?
HUH?

BYE RAIZO!
HA
Huh?
WELL
THE UMM...
OBVI-OUSLY, THE KITTY...
GOOD LUCK!
BLUSH

HEY, MISS YUKIE...
YOUR KID'S JUST LIKE YOU.
Raizo!
APPARENTLY, I'VE GOTTA KEEP AN EYE ON YOU.
I NEVER KOW WHAT YOU'LL DO.
ALL RIGHT.
YOU'RE COMING WITH ME.
JIN?
WHERE ARE YA GOING?
TO VISIT A GRAVE.
I PROMISE THIS TIME...
I'M COUNTING ON YOU.
I'LL PROTECT WHAT I LOVE...